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3rd

Wednesday, August 5th, 1898.

PROCLAMATION.

*Canada,
Province of
Ontario.* }

OLIVER MOWAT.

[L.S.]

VICTORIA, by the Grace of God, of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland,
QUEEN, Defender of the Faith, &c., &c., &c.

To Our Faithful, the Members elected to serve in the Legislative Assembly of our
Province of Ontario and to every of you—GREETING :

Arthur S. Hardy, } WHEREAS it is expedient for certain causes and considerations
Attorney-General. } to convene the Legislative Assembly of our said Province,
WE DO WILL that you and each of you, and all others in this behalf interested, on
WEDNESDAY, the THIRD day of the Month of AUGUST now next, at OUR CITY
OF TORONTO aforesaid, personally be and appear for the DESPATCH OF BUSINESS, to
treat, act, do and conclude upon those things which, in our Legislature of the Province

of Ontario by the Common Council of Our said Province, may by the favour of God be ordained. HEREIN FAIL NOT.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, we have caused these Our Letters to be made Patent, and the Great Seal of Our Province of Ontario to be hereunto affixed : WITNESS, The Honourable Sir OLIVER MOWAT, Knight, Grand Cross of our Most Distinguished Order of St. Michael and St. George, Member of Our Privy Council for Canada and LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR of Our Province of Ontario, at Our Government House, in the City of Toronto, in Our said Province, this TWELFTH day of JULY, in the year of Our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety-eight and in the Sixty-second year of Our Reign.

By Command,

CHARLES CLARKE,
Clerk of the Crown in Chancery.

3 O'CLOCK, P.M.

This being the First day of the First Meeting of the Ninth Legislature of the Province of Ontario for the Despatch of Business, pursuant to a Proclamation of His Honour the Honourable Sir OLIVER MOWAT, Lieutenant-Governor, Charles Clarke, Esquire, Clerk of the Legislative Assembly, laid on the Table of the House a Roll containing a list of the names of the Members who had been returned at the General Elections to serve in this Legislature ; and having been appointed *per dedimus potestatem* a Commissioner for administering the Oaths to the Members, did administer the Oaths to the Members present ; who, having subscribed the Roll, took their seats in the House.

ROLL OF MEMBERS.

Electoral District of Addington	James Reid.
do Algoma, East	Charles Franklin Farwell.
do Algoma, West	James Conmee.
do Brant, N. R.....	Daniel Burt
do Brant, S. R	Arthur Sturgis Hardy.
do Brockville	George J. Graham.
do Bruce, N. R.....	Charles Martin Bowman.
do Bruce, S. R	Reuben E. Truax.
do Bruce, C. R	Andrew Malcolm.
do Cardwell	Edward Alfred Little.
do Carleton	George Nelson Kidd.
do Dufferin	John Barr.
do Dundas	James Pliny Whitney.
do Durham, E. R.....	William A. Fallis.
do Durham, W. R	Wil iam Henry Reid.

Electoral District of Elgin. E. R

*Bye Elections for
this Parliament*

1898. Hallan John Koaf Barber
 ✓ Hastings William Allan
 ✓ Burn W. John MacLellan
 ✓ Lemire Bowen George, Discrepable
 ✓ Representing the constituency
 Northumbria E. John H. Taylor
 ✓ Ontario S. John John Bryden
 ✓ Newmarket N. John H. Munro
 ✓ Wellington C. Hugh M. Paton

- (1899) Grant S. Thomas Hiram Preston
 ✓ Glen E. Charles A. Krause
 ✓ Van W. Donald MacEachern
 ✓ " Finlay George Macdiarmid
 ✓ Ontario S. John John Bryden
 ✓ Perley S. Nelson Monteith
 ✓ Peterborough W. Mac John Robert Shattock
 ✓ Hastings S. Frank Francis Hobart Latchford
 ✓ Waterloo & Dorion J. Brethaupt
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1900. Middlesex E. Thomas E. Wilson
 ✓ Waterloo & Dorion J. Brethaupt
 ✓ Holland John Rankin
 ✓ Huron W. James Thompson
 ✓ Kent E. John Lee
 ✓ Waterloo Edmund John Barker
 ✓ London Frank W. Dugay

- Charles Andrew Brower.
 Finlay G. Macdiarmid. *George*
 William J. McKee.
 John Allan Auld.
 John S. Gallagher.
 Donald Robert McDonald.
 Robert L. Joynt.
 George Milward Boyd. *Brook*
 Isaac B. Lucas.
 David Jamieson. *Vi*
 Jose W. Holmes.
 John Roaf Barber.
 Andrew Alexander Colquhoun.
 Henry Carscallen.
 M. B. Morrison. *Mackay*
 Samuel Russell.
 William John Allen.
 Archibald Hislop.
 Henry Eilber.
 James Thompson Garrow.
 Robert Ferguson.
 Thomas Letson Pardo.
 William Harty.
 Henry John Pettypiece. *Honeycutt*
 Frederick F. Pardee.
 William O. Caldwell. *Cu*
 Arthur James Matheson.
 Walter Beatty. *n*
 Bowes Ebenezer Aylsworth.
 Elisha Jessop.
 Francis Baxter Ley.
 Thomas D. Hodgens.
 William Henry Taylor.
 George William Ross.
 Richard Harcourt.
 Samuel Bridgland.
 John Loughrin.
 William A. Charlton.
 E. G. Carpenter. *Ernest Carpenter*
 John H. Douglas.
 Samuel Clarke.
 William H. Hoyle.
 Charles Calder.
 Alexander Lumsden.
 Charles Berkley Powell.
 Andrew Pattullo.
 Angus McKay.
 William Rabb Beatty.
 John Smith.
 John Brown.
 William Oaven Moscrip.
 Thomas Blezard.
 James R. Stratton. *Novelt*
 Alfred Francis Eugene Eavanturel.
 William Ryerson Dempsey.
 Robert A. Campbell.
 Andrew Thomas White.

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By Command,

CHARLES CLARKE,
Clerk of the Crown in Chancery

This being the First day of the I
Province of Ontario for the Despatch of
Honour the Honourable Sir OLIVER
Esquire, Clerk of the Legislative Assen
containing a list of the names of the Me
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Electoral District of Addington . . .	
do	Algoma, East . . .
do	Algoma, West . . .
do	Brant, N. R . . .
do	Brant, S. R . . .
do	Brockville
do	Bruce, N. R . . .
do	Bruce, S. R . . .
do	Bruce, C. R . . .
do	Cardwell
do	Carleton
do	Dufferin
do	Dundas
do	Durham, E. R . . .
do	Durham, W. R . . .

Electoral District of Elgin, E. R	Charles Andrew Brower.
do Elgin, W. R	Finlay G. Macdiarmid.
do Essex, N. R	William J. McKee.
do Essex, S. R	John Allan Auld.
do Frontenac	John S. Gallagher.
do Glengarry	Donald Robert McDonald.
do Grenville	Robert L. Joynt.
do Grey, N. R	George Milward Boyd.
do Grey, C. R	Isaac B. Lucas.
do Grey, S. R	David Jamieson.
do Haldimand	Jose W. Holmes.
do Halton	John Roaf Barber.
do Hamilton, West	Andrew Alexander Colquhoun.
do Hamilton, East	Henry Carscallen.
do Hastings, W. R	M. B. Morrison.
do Hastings, E. R	Samuel Russell.
do Hastings, N. R	William John Allen.
do Huron, E. R	Archibald Hislop.
do Huron, S. R	Henry Eilber.
do Huron, W. R	James Thompson Garrow.
do Kent, E. R	Robert Ferguson.
do Kent, W. R	Thomas Letson Pardo.
do Kingston	William Harty.
do Lambton, E. R	Henry John Pettypiece.
do Lambton, W. R	Frederick F. Pardee.
do Lanark, N. R	William G. Caldwell.
do Lanark, S. R	Arthur James Matheson.
do Leeds	Walter Beatty.
do Lennox	Bowen Ebenezer Aylsworth.
do Lincoln	Elisha Jessop.
do London	Francis Baxter Ley.
do Middlesex, E. R	Thomas D. Hodgens.
do Middlesex, N. R	William Henry Taylor.
do Middlesex, W. R	George William Ross.
do Monck	Richard Harcourt.
do Muskoka	Samuel Bridgland.
do Nipissing	John Loughrin.
do Norfolk, S. R	William A. Charlton.
do Norfolk, N. R	E. G. Carpenter.
do Northumberland, E. R	John H. Douglas.
do Northumberland, W. R	Samuel Clarke.
do Ontario, N. R	William H. Hoyle.
do Ontario, S. R	Charles Calder.
do Ottawa	Alexander Lumsden.
do Oxford, N. R	Charles Berkley Powell.
do Oxford, S. R	Andrew Pattullo.
do Parry Sound	Angus McKay.
do Peel	William Rabb Beatty.
do Perth, N. R	John Smith.
do Perth, S. R	John Brown.
do Peterborough, E. R	William Caven Moscrip.
do Peterborough, W. R	Thomas Blezard.
do Prescott	James R. Stratton.
do Prince Edward	Alfred Francis Eugene Evanturel.
do Renfrew, S. R	William Ryerson Dempsey.
do Renfrew, N. R	Robert A. Campbell.
do	Andrew Thomas White.

Electoral District of	Russell	Onesime Guibord.
do	Simcoe, E. R	Andrew Miscampbell.
do	Simcoe, W. R	James Stoddart Duff.
do	Simcoe, O. R	A. B. Thompson. <i>Alfred Evanturel</i>
do	Stormont	John McLaughlin.
do	Toronto, West	Thomas Crawford.
do	Toronto, East	Robert Allan Pyne.
do	Toronto, North	George Frederick Marter.
do	Toronto, South	James Joseph Foy.
do	Victoria, E. R	John H. Carnegie.
do	Victoria, W. R	Samuel J. Fox.
do	Waterloo, N. R	Henry George Lackner.
do	Waterloo, S. R	William A. Kribs.
do	Welland	William Manley German.
do	Wellington, S. R	John Mutrie.
do	Wellington, E. R	John Craig.
do	Wellington, W. R	James Tuker.
do	Wentworth, N. R	Thomas Atkins Wardell.
do	Wentworth, S. R	John Dickenson.
do	York, E. R	John Richardson.
do	York, W. R	William James Hill.
do	York, N. R	Elihu James Davis.

3 O'CLOCK, P.M.

His Honour, the Lieutenant-Governor, having entered the House, took his seat on the Throne.

The Provincial Secretary then said :—

I am commanded by His Honour, the Lieutenant-Governor, to state that he does not see fit to declare the causes of his summoning the present Legislature of this Province until a Speaker of this House shall have been chosen according to law; but To-day, at the hour of Four o'clock, His Honour will declare the causes of his calling this Legislature.

His Honour was then pleased to retire.

The Attorney-General, addressing himself to the Clerk, proposed to the House for their Speaker, Francis Eugene Alfred Evanturel, Member for the Riding of Prescott, which motion was seconded by Mr. McKay, and it was

Resolved, That Francis Eugene Alfred Evanturel, Esquire, do take the Chair of this House, as Speaker.

The Clerk having declared the Honourable Francis Eugene Alfred Evanturel duly elected, he was conducted by the Attorney-General and Mr. McKay to the Chair; where, standing on the upper step, he returned his humble acknowledgment to the House for the great honour they had been pleased to confer upon him by choosing him to be their Speaker.

And thereupon he sat down in the Chair, and the Mace was laid on the Table.

4 O'CLOCK, P. M.

His Honour re-entered the House, and took his seat on the Throne.

The Speaker-elect then spoke to the following effect :—

May it Please Your Honour :—

The Legislative Assembly have elected me as their Speaker, though I am but little able to fulfil the important duties thus assigned to me.

If, in the performance of those duties, I should at any time fall into error, I pray that the fault may be imputed to me and not to the Assembly whose servant I am, and who, through me, the better to enable them to discharge their duty to their Queen and country, hereby claim all their undoubted rights and privileges, especially that they may have freedom of speech in their debates, access to your person at all seasonable times, and that their proceedings may receive from you the most favourable consideration.

The Provincial Secretary then said :—

Mr. Speaker,

I am commanded by His Honour, the Lieutenant-Governor, to declare to you that he freely confides in the duty and attachment of the Assembly to Her Majesty's person and Government, and, not doubting that their proceedings will be conducted with wisdom, temper, and prudence, he grants, and upon all occasions will recognize and allow, their constitutional privileges.

I am commanded also to assure you that the Assembly shall have ready access to His Honour upon all suitable occasions, and that their proceedings, as well as your words and actions, will constantly receive from him the most favourable construction.

His Honour was then pleased to open the Session by the following gracious Speech :—

Mr. Speaker and Gentlemen of the Legislative Assembly :—

I have great pleasure in welcoming you to your legislative duties at this your first meeting of the Assembly since the last General Election.

I have directed that the Order in Council authorizing the issuing of a proclamation calling together the Legislative Assembly, with the Report upon which the Order in Council is based stating the reasons for summoning you to meet at this early period of the year, shall be laid before you without delay.

His Excellency the Earl of Aberdeen has announced his intention of retiring from the exalted position of Governor-General of Canada before the expiration of the full term for which he was appointed. This announcement has evoked expressions of regret from all classes of our people, in whose well-being and happiness His Excellency and the Countess of Aberdeen have, during their residence in Canada, taken so deep an interest. Their Excellencies' sympathetic participation in all philanthropic movements and benevolent enterprises, their hearty co-operation in all good work, their patriotic devotion to Canada and their constant study of Canadian interests, will always be gratefully remem-

bered by the people of this Province. While we regret the departure of their Excellencies, it is a source of gratification to believe that their interest in Canada will not cease with His Excellency's term of office as Governor-General.

I rejoice in being able to congratulate you that the Province is being favored with another abundant harvest, and that the prices of almost all the products of the farm have been satisfactory to the agriculturist. There has been no abatement in the efforts of the Department of Agriculture to promote the welfare of the husbandman through the operations of the numerous agencies and organizations under its direction, and by the preparation and wide circulation of bulletins and reports of an instructive character. The practical and experimental work in connection with the Agricultural College continues to afford much valuable instruction and encouragement to those who can personally investigate it, as is evidenced by the constantly increasing number of farmers who visit and inspect its operations, not less than thirty thousand having visited the College and farm during the month of June last. It is gratifying to learn that the work of the Department in enforcing the provisions of the Act of last session with respect to the spread of the San Jose scale, and in protecting the orchards of the Province from the destructive ravages of that pest, has been actively pursued, and with good results.

It is also a subject for congratulation that the trade and commerce of the Province are constantly increasing, and that agricultural, manufacturing and commercial enterprises are alike prosperous and successful. Great activity still prevails in the mining districts, and there is abundant evidence that the mineral wealth of northern Ontario is being steadily developed.

It is gratifying to record the increasing interest which is being taken in road and street improvement throughout the Province. Successful efforts to bring about reform are apparent in many districts. The fullest information appears to be desired by both urban and rural municipalities regarding this branch of public work, the importance of which cannot be overestimated, influencing so largely as it does the commercial, agricultural and social welfare of the community.

Owing, I believe, to the unsettled condition of certain branches of trade in the adjoining Republic arising out of the war with Spain, and to the duty imposed by the tariff of the United States on lumber when imported, the lumber market has not been as active as in former years. I am pleased to be able to state that shipments to the British markets have greatly increased, and that satisfactory prices have been obtained.

The work of the Commission appointed last year to enquire into the practicability of preserving and restoring the white pine upon lands in the Province not adapted for agricultural purposes or for settlement, and whose preliminary report with recommendations was presented last session, has been continued during the year. The final report of the Commissioners is expected to be completed and ready for distribution almost immediately; in that case a measure, supplementary of "The Forest Reserves Act" of last session, may be submitted for your consideration.

In view of the great number of election petitions awaiting trial, it is desirable to facilitate their disposal by the Courts and to lessen the expense and labor of the trials as far as may be practicable, and to make such other provisions that the petitions may if possible be disposed of by the time this Assembly may again meet in the early part of the

coming year. To this end a Bill will be submitted for your consideration, making provision for the speedy determination of the question of the right of electors to vote who have been called upon or appointed by the Returning Officer or Deputy Returning Officers under "The Election Act" to act as Constables or Special Constables on election or polling day, or to perform other work or public duties connected with the election, and for other purposes.

The long contested question between the Governments of Canada and the Provinces relating to the rights in and over provincial fisheries has at length been finally decided by the Imperial Privy Council. Leases of fishing rights in provincial waters, and licenses and permits to fish in provincial waters have heretofore been granted by the Department of Marine and Fisheries under the laws and regulations of the Dominion. The judgment of the Privy Council has determined that the right to the fish in provincial waters including the waters of the great lakes and international and interprovincial rivers, can be granted only by the Provinces, and that the revenues derivable therefrom are payable to the Provincial Governments. The regulations as to the time and manner in which fish may be taken, the instruments of capture which may be employed, the fixing of close seasons, and some other minor matters of regulation are by the judgment declared to be subject wholly to Dominion legislation; and the Government of the Dominion is held entitled to impose a tax for revenue purposes as a condition of the right to fish. It is desirable in the public interest to make further provision for the due administration by the Province of the important rights and interests which are now definitely ascertained to belong to the Province, and for the collection of the revenue to be derived therefrom. A Bill upon the subject will be submitted to you.

The proposed legislation in respect to the two last mentioned subjects is among the reasons for your being called together at this somewhat unusual season of the year, and I trust that you will deem them of sufficiently pressing importance to secure your approval of the course which has been taken. It is presumed that when you have disposed of matters which are immediately urgent, you will prefer postponing the consideration of other and general business until the early part of the next year.

I feel assured that your deliberations will be characterized by wisdom and patriotism and that they will conduce to the happiness and prosperity of the people.

His Honour was then pleased to retire.

4.30 O'CLOCK P. M.

PRAYERS.

Mr. Speaker reported, That to prevent mistakes, he had obtained a copy of His Honour's Speech, which he read.

On motion of the Attorney-General, seconded by Mr. Ross, a Bill was introduced intituled "An Act to provide for the Administration of Oaths of Office to persons appointed as Justices of the Peace," and the same was read the first time.

On motion of the Attorney-General, seconded by Mr. Ross,

Ordered, That the Speech of His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor to this House be taken into consideration To-morrow.

On motion of the Attorney-General, seconded by Mr. Ross,

Resolved, That a Select Standing Committee of this House, for the present Session be appointed for the following purpose :—1. On Privileges and Elections ; which said committee shall be empowered to examine and enquire into all such matters and things as shall be referred to by the House, and to report from time to time their observations and opinions thereon, with power to send for persons, papers and records.

Mr. Speaker informed the House That the Clerk had laid upon the Table :

Return from the Records of the General Election to the Legislative Assembly in 1898, shewing : (1) The number of Votes polled for each Candidate in each Electoral District in which there was a contest. (2) The majority whereby each successful Candidate was returned. (3) The total number of Votes polled in each District. (4) The number of Votes remaining unpolled. (5) The number of names on the Voters' List in each District. (6) The population of each District as shewn by the last Census. (*Sessional Papers No. 1.*)

On motion of the Attorney-General, seconded by Mr. Ross,

Ordered, That when this House adjourns To-day, it do stand adjourned until To-morrow at four of the clock in the afternoon.

The House then adjourned at 4.45 p.m.

Thursday, August 4th, 1898.

4 O'CLOCK P.M.

PRAYERS.

The following Petition was brought up and laid upon the Table :—

By Mr. Foy, The Petition of J. W. St. John, of Toronto.

Mr. Pettypiece moved, seconded by Mr. Clarke,

That an humble Address be presented to His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor of Ontario, as follows :—

To the Honourable Sir Oliver Mowat, G.C.M.G., Lieutenant-Governor of the Province of Ontario :

We, Her Majesty's most dutiful and loyal subjects, the Legislative Assembly of the Province of Ontario, now assembled, beg leave to thank Your Honour for the gracious Speech which Your Honour has addressed to us.

And the Motion, having been put,

Mr. Whitney moved in Amendment, seconded by Mr. Marter,

That the following words be added to the Address "and also to represent to Your Honour that this House, being convinced that one of the best safeguards of the Prerogatives of the Crown as well as of the liberties and franchises of the people, is to be found in the application of the principle that the Government should be conducted by Ministers responsible to the people and holding seats in the Legislative Assembly, avails itself of this opportunity to express its regret that the Government has met the Legislative Assembly for the Despatch of Business with two members of the Executive Council, the Heads respectively, of two of the most important Departments of the Government, without seats in the Legislative Assembly, having been defeated at the last General Election."

And a Debate ensuing,

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned until To-morrow.

The House then adjourned at 11.30 p.m.

Friday August 5th, 1898.

3 o'CLOCK P.M.

PRAYERS.

On Motion of the Attorney-General, seconded by Mr. Ross,

Ordered, That a Select Committee of Ten Members be appointed to prepare and report with all convenient speed a list of Members to compose the Select Standing Committee on Privileges and Elections, ordered by this House, to be composed as follows : The Attorney-General and Messieurs Charlton, Ferguson, Garrow, Marter, Matheson, Miscampbell, Ross, Stratton and Whitney.

The Order of the Day for resuming the Adjourned Debate on the Motion for consideration of the Speech of His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor at the opening of the Session, and the amendment proposed thereto, having been read,

The Debate was resumed,

And after some time, it was,

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned until Monday next.

On motion of the Attorney-General, seconded by Mr. Ross,

Ordered, That when this House adjourns to-day, it is to stand adjourned until Four of the Clock in the afternoon of Monday next.

The House then adjourned at 5.50 p.m.

Monday, August 8th, 1898.

3 o'CLOCK P.M.

PRAYERS.

The following Petition was brought up and laid upon the Table :—

By Mr. Fox, the Petition of the County Council of Victoria.

The following Petition was read and received :—

Of J. W. St. John, of Toronto, praying that no Act may be passed declaring, retroactively, the meaning or interpretation of any part of the Ontario Election Act affecting a certain Election Petition pending in the West Riding of York, and for other purposes.

The following Bill was introduced and read the first time :—

Bill (No. 1), intituled "An Act relating to the Provincial Fisheries."—The Attorney-General.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Wednesday next.

The Order of the Day for resuming the Adjourned Debate on the Motion for consideration of the Speech of His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor at the opening of the Session, and the Amendment proposed thereto, having been read,

The Debate was resumed,

And after some time,

Mr. Hoyle moved in amendment to the Amendment, seconded by Mr. Beaty (Leeds), That the following words be added to the Amendment "and to respectfully express its hope and desire that Your Honour will, without delay, take steps to put an end to such an unusual and undesirable state of affairs."

And a Debate arising,

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned until To-morrow.

The House then adjourned at 10.15 p.m.

Tuesday, August 9th, 1898.

3 o'CLOCK P.M.

PRAYERS.

The following Petitions were severally brought up and laid upon the Table :—

By Mr. Brower, the Petition of William Hewitt of Mattawa.

By Mr. Barr, the Petition of Nelson Monteith of Downie.

By Mr. Little, the Petition of Joseph Beck of Saltford.

By Mr. Hoyle, the Petition of Charles Schoultz of Mitchell.

By Mr. Thompson, the Petition of Charles Lamarche of Mattawa.

By Mr. Lucas, the Petition of George E. Langford of Macauley.

By Mr. Wardell, the Petition of William D. McNab of York.

The Order of the Day for resuming the Adjourned Debate on the Motion for consideration of the Speech of His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor at the opening of the Session, and the amendments proposed thereto, having been read,

The Debate was resumed,

And after some time, it was,

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned until To-morrow.

The House then adjourned at 11.15 p.m.

Wednesday, August 10th, 1898.

PRAYERS.

3 o'CLOCK P.M.

The following Petition was read and received :—

Of the County Council of Victoria, praying certain amendments to the Municipal Act, respecting the prohibition of use of narrow tired vehicles on the public roads.

On motion of Mr. Hodgens, seconded by Mr. Jessop,

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, praying that he will cause to be laid before this House a Return, of copies of all Orders in Council, correspondence and other documents relating to the deciding upon, and purchase of a site, in the City of London, for the proposed Normal School.

On motion of Mr. Hodgens, seconded by Mr. Jessop,

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return, of copies, of all correspondence relating to the purchase of a Ram, by the Government, from one Mr. John Glennie.

The Order of the Day for resuming the Adjourned Debate on the Motion for consideration of the Speech of His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor at the opening of the Session, and the amendments proposed thereto, having been read,

The Debate was resumed,

And after some time, it was,

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned until To-morrow.

Mr. Davis presented to the House by command of His Honour the Lieutenant Governor :—

Report of Mr. Inspector Hodgson regarding Upper Canada College. (*Sessional Papers No. 42.*)

Also—Copy of Order in Council approving of certain appointments on the Staff of Upper Canada College. (*Sessional Papers No. 43.*)

Also—Copy of Minutes of the Department of Education approving of certain Regulations. (*Sessional Papers No. 44.*)

The House then adjourned at 11.30 p.m.

Thursday, August 11th, 1898.

3 o'CLOCK P.M.

PRAYERS.

The following Petitions were severally brought up and laid upon the Table :—

By Mr. Hodgens, the Petition of John D. Wilson and others of London.

By Mr. Guibord, the Petition of S. Genier and others of Cambridge.

The following Petitions were read and received :—

Of Joseph Beck of Saltford, praying that no Act be passed declaring retroactively, the meaning or interpretation of any part of The Ontario Election Act, or otherwise affecting a certain Election Petition pending in the Electoral District of the South Riding of Huron.

Of George E. Langford of Macauley, praying that no Act be passed declaring retroactively, the meaning or interpretation of any part of The Ontario Election Act, or otherwise affecting a certain Election Petition pending in the Electoral District of Muskoka.

Of Charles Lamarche; also, of William Hewitt, all of Mattawa, severally praying that no Act be passed declaring retroactively, the meaning or interpretation of any part of The Ontario Election Act, or otherwise affecting a certain Election Petition pending in the Electoral District of Nipissing.

Of Nelson Monteith of Downie; also, of Charles Schoultz of Mitchell, severally praying that no Act be passed declaring retroactively, the meaning or interpretation of

any part of The Ontario Election Act, or otherwise affecting a certain Election Petition pending in the Electoral District of South Riding of Perth.

Of William Duncan McNab of York Township, praying that no Act be passed declaring retroactively, the meaning or interpretation of any part of The Ontario Election Act, or otherwise affecting a certain Election Petition pending in the Electoral District of West Riding of York.

The Order of the Day for resuming the Adjourned Debate on the Motion for consideration of the Speech of His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor at the opening of the Session, and the amendments proposed thereto, having been read,

The Debate was resumed,

And the House having continued to sit until twelve of the clock, midnight.

FRIDAY, 12TH AUGUST, 1898.

The Debate was continued,

And after some time, it was,

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned until the next Sitting of the House To-day.

The House then adjourned at 12.55 a.m.

Friday, August 12th, 1898.

PRAYERS.

3 o'CLOCK P.M.

The Order o' the Day for resuming the Adjourned Debate on the Motion for consideration of the Speech of His Honour the Lieutenant Governor at the opening of the Session, and the amendments proposed thereto, having been read,

The Debate was resumed,

And the House having continued to sit until twelve of the clock, midnight.

SATURDAY, 13TH AUGUST, 1898

The Debate was continued,

And after some time,

The amendment to the Amendment, having been put, was lost on the following division :—

YEAS :

Messieurs

Allen,	Duff,	Kidd,	McLaughlin,
Barr,	Eilber,	Kribs,	Powell,
Beatty (Leeds),	Fallis,	Lackner,	Pyne,
Boyd,	Foy,	Little,	Reid (Addington),
Brower,	Fox,	Lucas,	Reid (Durham),
Calder,	Gallagher,	Marter,	Thompson,
Carnegie,	Hodgens,	Matheson,	Tucker,
Carscallen,	Hoyle,	Miscampbell,	Wardell,
Colquhoun,	Jamieson,	Morrison,	White,
Crawford,	Jessop,	Macdiarmid,	Whitney—43.
Dempsey,	Joynt,	McDonald,	

NAYS :

Messieurs

Auld,	Clarke,	Hardy,	McKee,
Aylsworth,	Conmee,	Harty,	Pardee,
Barber,	Davis,	Hill,	Pardo,
Beatty (Parry Sound),	Dickenson,	Hislop,	Pattullo,
Bleizard,	Douglas,	Holmes,	Pettypiece,
Bowman,	Farwell,	Leys,	Richardsor,
Bridgland,	Ferguson,	Loughrin,	Ross,
Brown,	Garrow,	Lumsden,	Russel,
Burt,	German,	Malcolm,	Smith,
Caldwell,	Graham,	Moscrip,	Stratton,
Campbell,	Guibord,	Mutrie,	Taylor,
Carpenter,	Harcourt,	McKay,	Truax, —49.
Charlton,			

PAIRS.

None.

The Amendment, having been then put, was lost on the following division :—

YEAS :

Messieurs

Allen,	Duff,	Kidd,	McLaughlin,
Barr,	Eilber,	Kribs,	Powell,
Beatty (Leeds),	Fallis,	Lackner,	Pyne,
Boyd,	Foy,	Little,	Reid (Addington),
Brower,	Fox,	Lucas,	Reid (Durham),
Calder,	Gallagher,	Marter,	Thompson,
Carnegie,	Hodgens,	Matheson,	Tucker,
Carscallen,	Hoyle,	Miscampbell,	Wardell,
Colquhoun,	Jamieson,	Morrison,	White,
Crawford,	Jessop,	Macdiarmid,	Whitney—43.
Dempsey,	Joynt,	McDonald,	

NAYS :

Messieurs

Auld,	Clarke,	Hardy,	McKee,
Aylsworth,	Conmee,	Harty,	Pardee,
Barber,	Davis,	Hill,	Pardo,
Beatty (Parry Sound),	Dickenson,	Hislop,	Pattullo,
Bleizard,	Douglas,	Holmes,	Pettypiece,
Bowman,	Farwell,	Leys,	Richardson,
Bridgland,	Ferguson,	Loughrin,	Ross,
Brown,	Garrow,	Lumsden,	Russell,
Burt,	German,	Malcolm,	Smith,
Caldwell,	Graham,	Moscrip,	Stratton,
Campbell,	Guibord,	Mutrie,	Taylor,
Carpenter,	Harcourt,	McKay,	Truax—49.
Charlton,			

PAIRS,

None.

The Main Motion, having been then again put, was carried on the following division :—

YEAS :

Messieurs

Auld,	Clarke,	Hardy,	McKee,
Aylsworth,	Conmee,	Harty,	Pardee,
Barber,	Davis,	Hill,	Pardo,
Beatty (Parry Sound),	Dickenson,	Hislop,	Pattullo,
Bleizard,	Douglas,	Holmes,	Pettypiece,
Bowman,	Farwell,	Leys,	Richardson,
Bridgland,	Ferguson,	Loughrin,	Ross,
Brown,	Garrow,	Lumsden,	Russell,
Burt,	German,	Malcolm,	Smith,
Caldwell,	Graham,	Moscrip,	Stratton,
Campbell,	Guibord,	Mutrie,	Taylor,
Carpenter,	Harcourt,	McKay,	Truax—49.
Charlton,			

NAYS :

Messieurs

Allen,	Duff,	Kidd,	McLaughlin,
Barr,	Eilber,	Kribz,	Powell,
Beatty (Leeds),	Fallis,	Lackner,	Pyne,
Boyd,	Foy,	Little,	Reid (Addington),
Brower,	Fox,	Lucas,	Reid (Durham),
Calder,	Gallagher,	Marter,	Thompson,
Carnegie,	Hodgens,	Matheson,	Tucker,
Carscallen,	Hoyle,	Miscampbell,	Wardell,
Colquhoun,	Jamieson,	Morrison,	White,
Orawford,	Jessop,	Macdiarmid,	Whitney—43.
Dempsey,	Joyst,	McDonald,	

PAIRS,

None.

And it was

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor of Ontario, as follows :—

To the Honourable Sir Oliver Mowat, G.C.M.G., Lieutenant-Governor of the Province of Ontario.

We, Her Majesty's most dutiful and loyal subjects, the Legislative Assembly of the Province of Ontario, now assembled, beg leave to thank your Honour for the gracious Speech which your Honour has addressed to us.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor by such members of the House as are members of His Honour's Honourable Council.

On motion of Mr. Harcourt, seconded by Mr. Harty,

Resolved, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into the Committee of Supply.

Resolved, That this House will on Tuesday next, resolve itself into the Committee of Ways and Means.

On motion of the Attorney-General, seconded by Mr. Ross,

Resolved, That Government business shall have precedence over all other business on each day of the Session, after Monday next, during the month of August.

The House then adjourned at 2.45 a.m.

Monday, August 15th, 1898.

3 o'CLOCK P.M.

PRAYERS.

The following Petition was brought up and laid upon the Table :—

By Mr. Whitney, the Petition of the Township Council of Sarnia.

The following Petitions were read and received :—

Of John D. Wilson and others of London, praying that the Site for the proposed Normal School in London may be chosen in the City in preference to London South.

Of S. Genier and others of Cambridge, praying certain amendments to the Municipal Act, respecting the power of Councils to grant aid by way of bonus to Ferries over streams.

The following Bill was read the second time :—

Bill (No. 1), Relating to the Provincial Fisheries.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

The House then adjourned at 4.05 p.m.

Tuesday, August 16th, 1898.

3 o'CLOCK P.M.

PRAYERS.

The Attorney-General moved, seconded by Mr. Ross,
That leave be given to introduce a Bill intituled "An Act respecting the Election
Laws," and that the same be now read the first time.

And the Motion, having been put, was carried on a division, and
The following Bill was then introduced and read the first time :—

Bill (No. 2), intituled "An Act respecting the Election Laws." The Attorney-General.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time To-morrow.

On motion of the Attorney-General, seconded by Mr. Ross,

Resolved, That this House will on To-morrow, resolve itself into a Committee to consider the following Resolution :—

The Lieutenant-Governor may, from time to time, appoint a deputy-commissioner and such other officers and clerks as may be necessary for the purpose of carrying out the provisions of the Act relating to the Provincial Fisheries, and the better enforcement of the law and of regulations made by lawful authority, and for enforcing also such terms and conditions and limitations as aforesaid, such officers and clerks to be paid out of moneys received under the provisions of the Act, or as may be appropriated by the Legislature.

The House then adjourned at 4.35 p.m.

Wednesday, August 17th, 1898.

3 o'CLOCK P.M.

PRAYERS.

The following Petitions were severally brought up and laid upon the Table :—

By Mr. Duff, Two Petitions of the County Council of Simcoe.

The following Petition was read and received :—

Of the Township Council of Sarnia, praying repeal of, or amendments to the County Councils Act, relating to representation in the County Council of Lambton.

The Order of the Day for the House to resolve itself into a Committee to consider a certain proposed Resolution respecting the appointment of certain officials under the Fisheries Act, having been read,

The Attorney-General acquainted the House that His Honour the Lieutenant Governor, having been informed of the subject matter of the proposed Resolution, recommends it to the consideration of the House.

The House then resolved itself into the Committee.

(*In the Committee.*)

Resolved, That the Lieutenant-Governor may, from time to time, appoint a deputy-commissioner and such other officers and clerks as may be necessary for the purpose of carrying out the provisions of the Act relating to the Provincial Fisheries and the better enforcement of the law and of regulations made by lawful authority, and for enforcing also such terms and conditions and limitations as aforesaid, such officers and clerks to be paid out of moneys received under the provisions of the Act, or as may be appropriated by the Legislature.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Stratton reported, That the Committee had come to a certain Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Mr. Stratton reported the Resolution as follows :—

Resolved, That the Lieutenant Governor may, from time to time, appoint a deputy-commissioner and such other officers and clerks as may be necessary for the purpose of carrying out the provisions of the Act relating to the Provincial Fisheries and the better enforcement of the law and of regulations made by lawful authority, and for enforcing also such terms and conditions and limitations as aforesaid, such officers and clerks to be paid out of moneys received under the provisions of the Act, or as may be appropriated by the Legislature.

The Resolution, having been read the second time, was agreed to, and referred to the Committee of the Whole House on Bill (No. 1), Relating to the Provincial Fisheries.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 1), relating to the Provincial Fisheries, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Stratton reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill with certain amendments.

Ordered, That the Amendments be taken into consideration forthwith.

The Amendments, having been read the second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

On motion of Mr. Barr, seconded by Mr. Hoyle,

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of copies of all correspondence relating to the appointment of Hugh Falconer as Clerk of the Second Division Court of the County of Dufferin.

On motion of Mr. Beatty (Leeds), seconded by Mr. Barr,

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return, showing the number of saw logs cut during the winter of 1897-1898 on the limits of the Georgian Bay and on Lakes Huron and Superior, which were driven to either of said lakes ; the quantity cut in Provincial mills, and the quantity of exported uncut.

On motion of Mr. Beatty (Leeds), seconded by Mr. Morrison,

Ordered, That there be laid before this House a Return of copies of all correspondence and papers relating to, or connected with, the confinement of Hiram Augustus McCrea in the Asylums at Kingston and Brockville, and his release therefrom.

The House then adjourned at 4.50 P.M.

Thursday, August 18th, 1898.

3 o'clock P.M.

PRAYERS.

On motion of Mr. Whitney, seconded by Mr. Marter,

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, praying that he will cause to be laid before this House a Return of a copy of the Judgment of the Judicial Committee of the Privy Council in the Fisheries Bill, and for copies of all correspondence with the Dominion Government, or any member thereof, on the question of the jurisdiction of the Dominion and Provincial Governments with respect to the Fisheries of the Province.

The Order of the Day for the Second Reading of Bill (No. 2), Respecting the Election Laws, having been read, the Attorney-General moved,

That the Bill be now read the second time.

And a Debate having ensued,

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned until To-morrow.

The House then adjourned at 11 p.m.

Friday, August 19th, 1898.

3 o'CLOCK, P.M.

PRAYERS.

The following Petitions were read and received :—

Of the County Council of Simcoe, praying investigation into the alleged injurious effect of the Barberry shrub upon crops grown in its vicinity.

Of the County Council of Simcoe, praying certain amendments to the Municipal Act, respecting the apprehension of horse thieves.

On Motion of Mr. Garrow, seconded by Mr. Patullo,

Ordered, That leave be given to introduce a Bill intituled "An Act to confirm a certain By-law of the Town of Clinton," and that the same be referred to a special Committee to be composed as follows :—Messieurs Caldwell, Carscallen, Davis, Eilber, Garrow, Miscampbell and Stratton, and that for these purposes the Rules of the House be suspended.

The following Bill was then introduced and read the first time :—

Bill (No. 3), intituled "An Act to confirm a certain By-law of the Town of Clinton." Mr. Garrow.

Referred to a Select Committee composed as follows:—Messieurs Caldwell, Carscallen, Davis, Eilber, Garrow, Miscampbell and Stratton.

The Order of the Day for resuming the Adjourned Debate on the Motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 2), Respecting the Election Laws, having been read,

The Debate was resumed,

And after some time,

Mr. Carscallen moved in Amendment, seconded by Mr. Colquhoun,

That all the words of the Motion after the first word "That" be omitted, and the following substituted "the Bill be not now read the second time, but be read the second time on this day six months."

And the Amendment, having been put, was lost on the following division :

YEAS :

Messieurs

Allen,	Duff,	Kribs,	McLaughlin,
Barr,	Fallis,	Lackner,	Powell,
Beatty (Leeds),	Foy,	Little,	Pyne,
Boyd,	Fox,	Lucas,	Reid (Addington),
Brower,	Gallagher,	Marte r,	Reid (Durham),
Calder,	Hodgens,	Matheson,	Thompson,
Carnegie,	Hoyle,	Miscampbell,	Tucker,
Carscallen,	Jessop,	Morrison,	Wardell,
Colquhoun,	Joyst,	Macdiarmid,	White,
Crawford,	Kidd,	McDonald,	Whitney,—41.
Dempsey,			

NAYS :

Messieurs

Auld,	Clarke,	Hardy,	Pardee,
Aylsworth,	Connée,	Harty,	Pardo,
Barber,	Davis,	Hill,	Pattullo,
Beatty (Parry Sound),	Dickenson,	Hislop,	Pettypiece,
Bleizard,	Douglas,	Holmes,	Richardson,
Bowman,	Farwell,	Leys,	Ross,
Bridgland,	Ferguson,	Loughrin,	Russell,
Brown,	Garrow,	Lumsden,	Smith,
Burt,	German,	Moscrip,	Stratton,
Caldwell,	Graham,	Mutrie,	Taylor,
Carpenter,	Guibord,	McKay,	Truax—47.
Charlton,	Harcourt,	McKee,	

PAIRS.

Malcolm	....	....	Jamieson.
Campbell	....	....	Eilber.

The main Motion for the Second Reading having been put,

Mr. Whitney raised a certain point of order, and quoted Rule No. 16 as to the right of certain Members to vote upon the Second Reading of the Bill, in consequence of the fact that they had a pecuniary interest in the subject matter of the proposed legislation, and laid upon the Table certified copies of certain Election Petitions now pending before the Election Court.

Mr. Speaker ruled that no objection to a vote can be raised, on the ground of pecuniary or personal interest, except upon a substantive motion to be dealt with by the distinct action of the House. Such substantive motion, he conceived, could not be entertained in this instance, after a vote had been taken, inasmuch as the members named had no direct pecuniary interest in the proposed legislation, which was based solely upon public policy. And the Return of Members elected having been duly made by the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery, and they having taken the oaths and their seats, their right to vote could not be questioned on other ground than that of pecuniary interest.

The Motion for the Second Reading having been then again put, was carried on the following division :

YEAS :

Messieurs

Auld,	Clarke,	Hardy,	Pardee,
Aylsworth,	Connée,	Harty,	Pardo,
Barber,	Davis,	Hill,	Pattullo,
Beatty (Parry Sound),	Dickenson,	Hislop,	Pettypiece,
Bleizard,	Douglas,	Holmes,	Richardson,
Bowman,	Farwell,	Leys,	Ross,
Bridgland,	Ferguson,	Loughrin,	Russell,
Brown,	Garrow,	Lumsden,	Smith,
Burt,	German,	Moscrip,	Stratton,
Caldwell,	Graham,	Mutrie,	Taylor,
Carpenter,	Guibord,	McKay,	Truax—47.
Charlton,	Harcourt,	McKee,	

NAYS:

Messieurs

Allen,	Duff,	Kribs,	McLaughlin,
Barr,	Fallis,	Lackner,	Powell,
Beatty (Leeds),	Foy,	Little,	Pyne,
Boyd,	Fox,	Lucas,	Reid (Addington),
Brower,	Gallagher,	Marter,	Reid (Durham),
Calder,	Hodgens,	Matheson,	Thompson,
Carnegie,	Hoyle,	Miscampbell,	Tucker,
Carscallen,	Jessop,	Morrison,	Wardell,
Oolquhoun,	Joynt,	Macdiarmid,	White,
Crawford,	Kidd,	McDonald,	Whitney—41.
Dempsey,			

PAIRS.

Malcolm ....	....	....	Jamieson.
Campbell ....	....	....	Eilber.

And the Bill was read the second time and referred to a Committee of the Whole House on Monday next.

The Attorney-General delivered to Mr. Speaker a Message from the Lieutenant-Governor, signed by himself; and the said Message was read by Mr. Speaker, and is as follows :

O. MOWAT.

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits Estimates of certain sums required for the service of the Province, until the Estimates for the year 1899 are finally passed, and recommends them to the Legislative Assembly.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,

Toronto, August 17th, 1898.

(*Sessional Papers No. 4.*)

Ordered, That the Message of the Lieutenant-Governor, together with the Estimates accompanying the same, be referred to the Committee of Supply.

Mr. Davis presented to the House by command of His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor :—

Copy of an Order in Council approving of Regulations governing the disposal of Water Powers. (*Sessional Papers No. 45.*)

Also—Copy of an Order in Council respecting the terms and conditions governing the lease of Corundum Lands. (*Sessional Papers No. 46.*)

On motion of the Attorney-General, seconded by Mr. Ross,

Ordered, That when this House adjourns To-day, it do stand adjourned until Eight of the clock in the afternoon of Monday next.

The House then adjourned at 10.50 p.m.

Monday, August 22nd, 1898.

8 o'CLOCK P.M.

PRAYERS.

The following Bills were severally introduced and read the first time :—

Bill (No. 4), intituled "An Act respecting Voters' Lists in certain Cities." The Attorney-General.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time To-morrow.

Bill (No. 5), intituled "An Act to correct certain clerical and typographical errors in the Revised Statutes of Ontario, 1897." The Attorney-General.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time To-morrow.

On motion of the Attorney-General, seconded by Mr. Ross,

Resolved, That the Rules of this House, respecting the times for reception of Petitions for Private Bills, the introduction of Private Bills and the reception of Reports of Standing or Select Committees on Private Bills, be suspended, and the times for the said several purposes be extended so as to provide that the same shall run from the date of the re-assembling of the Legislature, after the adjournment of the House, in the early part of 1899, and that the said date of reassembling shall, for the purposes of the said Rules and all necessary proceedings, in all respects be treated as the first day of the Session.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(*In the Committee.*)

Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty, for the services of the years 1898 and 1899, the following sums :—

(a) Legislation	\$ 85,000
(b) Public Institutions, Maintenance	150,000
(c) Education	40,000
(d) Administration of Justice	50,000
(e) Miscellaneous	40,000

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and, Mr. Stratton reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions; also, that the Committee had directed him to ask for leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the Report be received To-morrow.

Resolved, That the Committee have leave to sit again To-morrow.

On motion of Mr. Barr, seconded by Mr. Hoyle,

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of copies of all correspondence between the contractors, or any other parties, and the Government, in connection with the manufacture of Binder Twine in the Central Prison.

On motion of Mr. Duff, seconded by Mr. Thompson,

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of copies of all correspondence between the County Council of Simcoe, and any member of the Government, with relation to the injurious effect of the Barberry shrub or hedge on grain crops.

Mr. Whitney moved, seconded by Mr. Marter,

That an humble Address be presented to His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, praying that he will cause to be laid before this House, a Return of copies of all correspondence between His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, the members of the Ontario Government, or any member thereof, and His Excellency the Governor-General, or the Government of Canada, or any member thereof, with reference to any representations made by any American Lumbermen in relation to any legislation passed by this House at its last Session, and with relation to the appearance before the Quebec Conference at its coming session, of eminent counsel on behalf of said American lumbermen with relation to complaints regarding any of the said legislation passed by this House at its last Session.

And a Debate having arisen,

The Motion was, by leave of the House, withdrawn.

The House then adjourned at 10.10 p.m.

PRAYERS.

Tuesday, August 23rd, 1898.

3 o'CLOCK, P.M.

Mr. Garrow, from the Special Committee to whom was referred Bill (No 3), To confirm a certain By-law of the Town of Clinton, presented their Report which was read as follows and adopted :—

The Committee have carefully considered the Bill to them referred and report the same without amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the second time.

The Bill was then read the second time and referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

The House, according to Order, again resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(*In the Committee.*)

Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty for the services of the years 1898 and 1899, the following sum :—

(f) To defray the expenses of Civil Government.....	\$60,000
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Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; and Mr. Stratton reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution ; also, That the Committee had directed him to ask for leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the Report be received forthwith.

Resolved, That the Committee have leave to sit again at the Sittings of the House to be resumed in the New Year.

Mr. Stratton, from the Committee of Supply, reported a Resolution, which was read as follows :—

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding four hundred and twenty-five thousand dollars (\$425,000), be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of the Civil Government and for other purposes (as mentioned in the statement accompanying the Message of the Lieutenant-Governor to this House), from the 1st day of January, 1899, to the passing of the Appropriation Act for the year 1899, and not exceeding the last day of March, 1899. Such expenditures to be confined to the ordinary necessary payments for the different services to which they respectively relate, and a detailed statement of such expenditures to be laid before the House before the second reading of the Appropriation Act of 1899, and the details of the said several services to be included in the detailed Estimates, to be brought down to this House, as though this Resolution had not passed ; it being declared that the expenditure under the head of "Public Works and Buildings" shall in all cases be confined to lapsed appropriations for 1898.

The Resolution, having been read the second time, was agreed to.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means.

(*In the Committee.*)

Resolved, That there be granted out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of this Province a sum not exceeding four hundred and twenty-five thousand dollars (\$425,000), to meet the Supply to that extent granted to Her Majesty.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; and Mr. Stratton reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution · also, That the Committee had directed him to ask for leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the Report be received forthwith.

Resolved, That the Committee have leave to sit again at the Sittings of the House to be resumed in the New Year.

Mr. Stratton, from the Committee on Ways and Means, reported a Resolution, which was read as follows :—

Resolved. That there be granted out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of this Province a sum not exceeding four hundred and twenty-five thousand dollars (\$425,000), to meet the Supply to that extent granted to Her Majesty.

The Resolution, having been read the second time, was agreed to.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 2), Respecting the Election Laws, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; and Mr. Stratton reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill with certain amendments.

Ordered, That the Amendments be taken into consideration forthwith.

The Amendments, having been read the second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

The following Bill was introduced and read the first time :—

Bill (No. 6), intituled, "An Act to amend the Municipal Act." The Attorney-General.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time forthwith.

The Bill was then read the second time and referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

The following Bills were severally read the second time :—

Bill (No. 4), Respecting Voters' Lists in certain Cities.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 5), To correct certain clerical and typographical errors in the Revised Statutes of Ontario, 1897.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

The House then adjourned at 9.55 p.m.

Wednesday, August 24th, 1898.

PRAYERS.

3 o'CLOCK, P.M.

The following Petition was brought up and laid upon the Table :—

By Mr. Whitney, The Petition of the Township Council of the United Townships of Johnson and Tarbut and Tarbut Additional.

The following Bill was read the third time and passed :—

Bill (No. 1), Relating to the Provincial Fisheries.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 6), To amend the Municipal Act, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Stratton reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill with certain amendments.

Ordered, That the Amendments be taken into consideration forthwith.

The Amendments, having been read the second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time forthwith.

The Bill was then read the third time, and passed.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 4), Respecting Voters' Lists in certain Cities, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Stratton reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time forthwith.

The Bill was then read the third time, and passed.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 5), To correct certain Clerical and Typographical Errors in the Revised Statutes of Ontario, 1897, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Stratton reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time forthwith.

The Bill was then read the third time, and passed.

The Order of the Day for the third reading of Bill (No. 2), Respecting the Election Laws having been read,

Ordered, That the Order be discharged, and that the Bill be forthwith referred back to a Committee of the Whole, with instructions to amend the same.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Stratton reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill with certain amendments.

The Attorney-General moved, seconded by Mr. Ross,

That the Amendments be now concurred in.

And the Motion, having been put, was carried on a division, and the Amendments were concurred in.

The Attorney-General then moved,

That the Bill be now read the third time.

Mr. Carscallen moved in amendment, seconded by Mr. Colquhoun,

That all the words of the Motion, after the word "That" be omitted, and the following substituted : "the Bill be not now read the third time but be forthwith referred back to a Committee of the Whole House with instructions to amend the same by striking out section thirteen of the Bill."

And the Amendment, having been put, was lost on the following division :

YEAS :

Messieurs

Allen,	Duff,	Kidd,	McLaughlin,
Barr,	Eilber,	Kribs,	Powell,
Boyd,	Fallis,	Lackner,	Pyne,
Brower,	Foy,	Little,	Reid (Addington),
Calder,	Fox,	Marter,	Reid (Durham),
Carnegie,	Gallagher,	Matheson,	Thompson,
Oarscallen,	Hodgens,	Miscampbell,	Tucker,
Colquhoun,	Hoyle,	Morrison,	Wardell,
Crawford,	Jessop,	Macdiarmid,	White,
Dempsey,	Joynt,	McDonald,	Whitney—40.

NAYS :

Messieurs

Auld,	Charlton,	Hardy,	Pardee,
Aylsworth,	Clarke,	Harty,	Pardo,
Barber,	Conmee,	Hill,	Pattullo,
Beatty (Parry Sound),	Davis,	Hislop,	Pettypiece,
Bleizard,	Dickenson,	Holmes,	Richardson,
Bowman,	Douglas,	Leys,	Ross,
Bridgland,	Farwell,	Lumsden,	Russell,
Brown,	Ferguson,	Malcolm,	Smith,
Burt,	Garrow,	Moscrip,	Stratton,
Caldwell,	German,	Mutrie,	Taylor,
Campbell,	Graham,	McKay,	Truax—46.
Carpenter,	Harcourt,		

PAIRS.

Loughrin ....	....	....	Beatty (Leeds).
McKee ..	....	....	Lucas.
Guibord ....	....	....	Jamieson

The Motion for the third reading having been again put,

Mr. Foy moved in amendment, seconded by Mr. Miscampbell,

That all the words of the Motion, after the word "That" be omitted, and the following substituted : "the Bill be not now read the third time but be forthwith referred back to a Committee of the Whole House with instructions to amend the same by striking out section number two thereof."

And the Amendment, having been put, was lost on the following division :—

Y E A S :

Messieurs

Allen,	Duff,	Kidd,	McLaughlin,
Barr,	Eilber,	Kribs,	Powell,
Boyd,	Fallis,	Lackner,	Pyne,
Brower,	Foy,	Little,	Reid (Addington),
Calder,	Fox,	Marter,	Reid (Durham),
Carnegie,	Gallagher,	Matheson,	Thompson,
Carscallen,	Hodgens,	Miscampbell,	Tucker,
Colquhoun,	Hoyle,	Morrison,	Wardell,
Crawford,	Jessop,	Macdiarmid,	White,
Dempsey,	Joynt,	McDonald,	Whitney—40.

N A Y S :

Messieurs

Auld,	Charlton,	Hardy,	Pardee,
Aylsworth,	Clarke,	Harty,	Pardo,
Barber,	Conmee,	Hill,	Pattullo,
Beatty (Parry Sound),	Davis,	Hislop,	Pettypiece,
Blezard,	Dickenson,	Holmes,	Richardson,
Bowman,	Douglas,	Leys,	Ross,
Bridgland,	Farwell,	Lumsden,	Russell,
Brown,	Ferguson,	Malcolm,	Smith,
Burt,	Garrow,	Moscrip,	Stratton,
Caldwell,	German,	Mutrie,	Taylor,
Campbell,	Graham,	McKay,	Truax—46.
Carpenter,	Harcourt,		

PAIRS.

Loughrin	....	....	....	Beatty (Leeds).
McKee	....	....	....	Lucas.
Guibord	....	....	....	Jamieson

The Motion for the third reading being again put,

Mr. Whitney moved in amendment, seconded by Mr. Marter,

That all the words of the Motion, after the word "That" be omitted, and the following substituted : "the Bill be not now read the third time but be forthwith referred back to a Committee of the Whole House with instructions to add the following section,

'Provided that none of the provisions of this Act shall apply to pending litigation in the case of Allen McPherson, Petitioner, against Henry John Pettypiece, Respondent, relating to the Election for the Electoral District of the East Riding of the County of Lambton, helden on the 22nd day of February, A.D. 1898, and the 1st day of March, A.D. 1898, and now pending with the Court of Appeal for Ontario ;

' In the case of Andrew Janes, Petitioner, against William A. Charlton, Respondent, relating to the Election for the Electoral District for the South Riding of the County of Norfolk, holden on the 22nd day of February, 1898, and the 1st day of March, 1898, and now pending in the Court of Appeal for Ontario ;

' In the case of William Duncan McNab, Petitioner, and William James Hill Respondent, relating to the Election for the Electoral District of the West Riding of the County of York, holden on the 22nd day of February, 1898, and the 1st day of March, 1898, and now pending in the Court of Appeal for Ontario ;

' In the case of William Hewitt, Petitioner, and John Loughrin, Respondent, relating to the Election for the Electoral District of the District of Nipissing, holden the 22nd day of February, 1898, and the 1st day of March, 1898, and now pending in the Court of Appeal for Ontario ;

' In the case of Frederick Green Blair, Petitioner, and Bowen Ebenezer Aylesworth, Respondent, relating to the Election for the Electoral District of the County of Lennox, holden the 22nd day of February, 1898, and the 1st day of March, 1898, and now pending in the Court of Appeal for Ontario ;

' In the case of George Edward Langford, Petitioner, and Samuel Bridgland, Respondent, relating to the Election for the Electoral District of Muskoka, holden the 22nd day of February, 1898, and the 1st day of March, 1898, and now pending in the Court of Appeal for Ontario ;

' In the case of Joseph Beck, Petitioner, and James Thompson Garrow and Alexander L. Gibson, Respondents, relating to the election for the Electoral District of the West Riding of the County of Huron, holden on the 22nd day of February, 1898, and the 1st day of March, 1898, and now pending in the Court of Appeal for Ontario, and

' In the case of Charles Schoultz, Petitioner, and William Caven Moscrip, Respondent, relating to the election for the Electoral District of the South Riding of the County of Perth, holden on the 22nd day of February, 1898, and the 1st day of March, 1898, and now pending in the Court of Appeal for Ontario.'"

And the Amendment, having been put, was lost on the following division :—

YEAS :

Messieurs

Allen,	Duff,	Kidd,	McLaughlin,
Barr,	Eilber,	Kribs,	Powell,
Boyd,	Fallis,	Lackner,	Pyne,
Brower,	Foy,	Little,	Reid (Addington),
Calder,	Fox,	Marter,	Reid (Durham),
Carnegie,	Gallagher,	Matheson,	Thompson.
Carscallen,	Hodgens,	Miscampbell,	Tucker,
Colquhoun,	Hoyle,	Morrison,	Wardell,
Crawford,	Jessop,	Macdiarmid,	White,
Dempsey,	Joynt,	McDonald,	Whitney—40.

NAYS:

Messieurs

Auld,	Charlton,	Hardy,	Pardee,
Aylsworth,	Clarke,	Harty,	Pardo,
Barber,	Conmee,	Hill,	Pattullo,
Beatty (Parry Sound),	Davis,	Hislop,	Pettypiece,
Bleazard,	Dickenson,	Holmes,	Richardson,
Bowman,	Douglas,	Leys,	Ross,
Bridgland,	Farwell,	Lumsden,	Russell,
Brown,	Ferguson,	Malcolm,	Smith,
Burt,	Garrow,	Moscrip,	Stratton,
Caldwell,	German,	Mutrie,	Taylor,
Campbell,	Graham,	McKay,	Truax—46.
Carpenter,	Harcourt,		

PAIRS.

Loughrin	....	....	....	Beatty (Leeds).
McKee	....	....	....	Lucas.
Guibord	....	....	....	Jamieson.

The Motion for the third reading having been again put,

Mr. Marter moved in amendment, seconded by Mr. Whitney,

That all the words of the Motion, after the word "That" be omitted, and the following substituted: "the Bill be not now read the third time but be forthwith referred back to a Committee of the Whole House with instructions to amend the same by adding the following as section 22 :

'Provided that nothing in this Act contained, shall affect pending litigation.'"

And the Amendment, having been put, was lost on the following division :—

YEAS:

Messieurs

Allen,	Duff,	Kidd,	McLaughlin,
Barr,	Eilber,	Kribs,	Powell,
Boyd,	Fallis,	Lackner,	Pyne,
Brower,	Foy,	Little,	Reid (Addington),
Calder,	Fox,	Marter,	Reid (Durham),
Carnegie,	Gallagher,	Matheson,	Thompson,
Carscallen,	Hodgens,	Miscampbell,	Tucker,
Colquhoun,	Hoyle,	Morrison,	Wardell,
Crawford,	Jessop,	Macdiarmid,	White,
Dempsey,	Joynt,	McDonald,	Whitney—40.

NAYS :

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Auld,	Charlton,	Hardy,	Pardee,
Aylsworth,	Clarke,	Harty,	Pardo,
Barber,	Conmee,	Hill,	Pattullo,
Beatty (Parry Sound),	Davis,	Hislop,	Pettypiece,
Bleizard,	Dickenson,	Holmes,	Richardson,
Bowman,	Douglas,	Leys,	Ross,
Bridgland,	Farwell,	Lumsden,	Russell,
Brown,	Ferguson,	Malcolm,	Smith,
Burt,	Garrow,	Moscrip,	Stratton,
Caldwell,	German,	Mutrie,	Taylor,
Campbell,	Graham,	McKay,	Truax—46.
Carpenter,	Harcourt,		

PAIRS.

Loughrin . . . . .	. . . . .	Beatty (Leeds).
McKee . . . . .	. . . . .	Lucas.
Guibord . . . . .	. . . . .	Jamieson.

The Motion for the third reading, having been then again put, was carried on the following division :—

YEAS :

Messieurs

Auld,	Charlton,	Hardy,	Pardee,
Aylsworth,	Clarke,	Harty,	Pardo,
Barber,	Conmee,	Hill,	Pattullo,
Beatty (Parry Sound),	Davis,	Hislop,	Pettypiece,
Bleizard,	Dickenson,	Holmes,	Richardson,
Bowman,	Douglas,	Leys,	Ross,
Bridgland,	Farwell,	Lumsden,	Russell,
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Burt,	Garrow,	Moscrip,	Stratton,
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Campbell,	Graham,	McKay,	Truax—46.
Carpenter,	Harcourt,		

NAYS :

Messieurs

Allen,	Duff,	Kidd,	McLaughlin,
Barr,	Eilber,	Kribs,	Powell,
Boyd,	Fallis,	Lackner,	Pyne,
Brower,	Foy,	Little,	Reid (Addington),
Calder,	Fox,	Marter,	Reid (Durham),
Carnegie,	Gallagher,	Matheson,	Thompson,
Carscallen,	Hodgens,	Miscampbell,	Tucker,
Oolquahoun,	Hoyle,	Morrison,	Wardell,
Crawford,	Jessop,	Macdiarmid,	White,
Dempsey,	Joynt,	McDonald,	Whitney—40.

PAIRS.

Loughrin	Beatty (Leeds).
McKee	Lucas.
Guibord	Jamieson.

And the Bill was then read the third time and passed.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 3), To confirm a certain By-law of the Town of Clinton, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; and Mr. Stratton reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill with certain amendments.

Ordered, That the Amendments be taken into consideration forthwith.

The Amendments, having been read the second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time forthwith.

The Bill was then read the third time, and passed.

On motion of Mr. Whitney, seconded by Mr. Matheson,

Ordered, That there be laid before this House a Return, of copies of all correspondence between any member of the Government, or official thereof, and any license Commissioner or Inspector of the County of Grey, or any other person or persons, respecting the refusal of the renewal of the license at one time held by Mr. John Waters of the Town of Durham and the granting of the same to a Mr. Fairman of the same place.

On motion of Mr. Wardell, seconded by Mr. Pyne.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House a Return, of copies of all correspondence between any member of the Government or representative thereof, and any party or parties, respecting the purchase of any timber berth that may have been sold since March 1st, 1898.

On motion of Mr. Matheson, seconded by Mr. Whitney,

Ordered, That there be laid before this House a Return, of copies of all reports and correspondence, not already brought down, relating to trespass on the timber limit known as the "Coffin Additional."

On motion of the Attorney-General, seconded by Mr. Ross,

Ordered, That when this House adjourns To-day, it shall stand adjourned until a day to be named in and by the Proclamation of His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor.

The House then adjourned during pleasure.

His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor entered the House at 7 of the clock P.M., and took his seat upon the Throne.

The Clerk Assistant then read the Titles of the several Bills which had passed as follows :—

1. An Act relating to the Provincial Fisheries.
2. An Act respecting the Election Laws.
3. An Act respecting Voters' Lists in certain Cities.
4. An Act to correct certain Clerical and Typographical Errors in the Revised Statutes of Ontario, 1897.
5. An Act to amend The Municipal Act.
6. An Act to confirm a certain By-law of the Town of Clinton.

To these Bills the Royal Assent was announced by the Clerk of the Legislative Assembly in the following words :—

In Her Majesty's name, His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, doth assent to these Bills.

His Honour was then pleased to retire, and,

Mr. Speaker having resumed the Chair,

Mr. Davis presented to the House by command of His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor :—

Copy of an Order in Council approving of Regulations for Mining Divisions.
(*Sessional Papers No. 47.*)

Also—Copy of an Order in Council approving of certain amendments to the Regulations for Mining Divisions. (*Sessional Papers No. 48.*)

Also—Copy of an Order in Council Establishing the Michipicoten Mining Division.
(*Sessional Papers No. 49.*)

The House then adjourned at 7.10 p.m.

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PROVINCE OF ONTARIO.



PROCLAMATION.

[L. S.]

O. MOWAT.

CANADA.

PROVINCE OF ONTARIO.

VICTORIA, by the Grace of God, of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, QUEEN, Defender of the Faith, &c., &c., &c.

TO OUR FAITHFUL THE MEMBERS elected to serve in the Legislative Assembly of Our Province of Ontario, and to every of you—
GREETING :—

PROCLAMATION.

ARTHUR S. HARDY, { WHEREAS it is expedient Attorney-General. } for certain causes and considerations to prorogue the Legislative Assembly of

Our Province of Ontario, WE DO PROCLAIM AND DECLARE that it is Our Will and Pleasure that the said Legislative Assembly be Prorogued, and the said Legislative Assembly is HEREBY PROROGUED ACCORDINGLY.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, We have caused these Our Letters to be made Patent, and the Great Seal of Our Province of Ontario to be hereunto affixed: WITNESS, the Honourable SIR OLIVER MOWAT, Knight Grand Cross of Our Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George, Member of Our Privy Council for Canada, and LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR of Our Province of Ontario, at Our Government House, in Our City of TORONTO, in Our said Province this TWELFTH day of OCTOBER, in the year of Our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety-eight, and in the Sixty-second year of Our Reign.

By Command,

CHARLES CLARKE,
Clerk of the Crown in Chancery,
Ontario.

*The Session of 1898 was prorogued unexpectedly in order to admit of certain important Bye-elections being held.
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2. Bill (No. 112), introduced to amend, 92. Second reading and referred to the Municipal Committee, 107. Reported with recommendation that a Commission be appointed to examine into the question of turn-over tax raised by, 282. (*Mr. German.*)
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4. Bill (No. 116), introduced to amend, 95. Second reading negatived, 131. (*Mr. Joynt.*)
5. Bill (No. 119), introduced to amend, 95. Second Reading and Referred to the Municipal Committee, 157. (*Mr. Macnish.*)
6. Bill (No. 150), introduced to amend, 114. Second reading and referred to the Municipal Committee, 158. Reported, 282. (*Mr. McLaughlin*)
7. Bill (No. 161), introduced to amend, 122. Second reading and referred to the Municipal Committee, 161. Reported, 282. (*Mr. Taylor.*)
8. Bill (No. 183), introduced to amend, 141. Second reading and referred to the Municipal Committee, 182. Reported, 282. (*Mr. Stratton.*)
9. Bill (No. 199), introduced to amend, 157. Second reading and referred to the Municipal Committee, 189. Reported, 282. (*Mr. Carscallen.*)

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11. Bill (No. 238), introduced to amend, 211. *Not proceeded with.* (Mr. McKay.)
12. Bill (No. 250), introduced to amend, 221. Second reading, 228. House goes into Committee on, 236. Order for third reading discharged, 300. See *below.* (Attorney-General.)
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Petition for Act respecting the debt of, 73. Reported, 89. Bill (No. 37), introduced and referred, 91. Reported, 116. Second reading, 135. House goes into Committee on, 138. Third reading, 181. R. A., 306. (62 Vic. c. 39.)

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BRANTFORD GAS COMPANY :

Petition for Act respecting, 77. Reported, 88. Bill (No. 19), introduced and referred, 90. Reported, 179. Second reading, 188. House goes into Committee on, 201, 233. Third reading, 233. R. A., 306. (62 Vic. c. 107.)

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Petition for Act respecting the floating debt of, 81. Reported, 101. Bill (No. 59), introduced and referred, 104. Reported, 120. Second reading, 138. House goes into Committee on, 151. Third reading, 181. R.A., 306. (62 Vic. c. 41.)

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2. Bill (No. 180), introduced respecting the closing and sale of disused cemeteries owned by Municipalities, 137. Second reading, 154. House goes into Committee on, 227. Order for third reading discharged, 283.

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CHEESE AND BUTTER MANUFACTURING ASSOCIATIONS :

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Petition for Act respecting, 100. Reported, 111. Bill (No. 85), introduced and referred, 113. Reported; title amended, 177. Second reading, 183. House goes into Committee on, 201. Third reading, 216. R. A., 306. (62 Vic. c. 43.)

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1. Bill (No. 184), introduced to amend, 141. Order for second reading discharged, 208.
2. Bill (No. 196), introduced to amend, 158. Second reading and referred to the Municipal Committee, 188. Reported ; title amended, and with provisions of certain other Bills embodied, 299. House goes into Committee on ; third reading, 300. R. A., 306. (62 Vic. c. 28.) See *Drainage Amendment Act.*

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7. Bill (No. 212), introduced to amend the Separate Schools Act, 164. Order for second reading discharged, 219.
8. Bill (No. 217), introduced to amend the Public Schools Act, 178. Order for second reading discharged, 208.
9. Bill (No. 225), introduced to amend the Separate Schools Act, 187. Second reading, 217. House in Committee on, 227. Third reading, 233. R. A., 306. (62 Vic. c. 37.)
10. Report presented, 136. (*Special Papers, No. 2.*) Printed.

11. Return presented, to an Order of the House of the Session of 1897, giving names of all High School teachers who have received Specialists Certificates, etc., 155, (*Sessional Papers No. 66.*) Printed.
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4. Bill (No. 156), introduced to amend, 117. Second reading negatived, 301.
5. Bill (No. 239), introduced to amend, 211. Second reading, 237. House goes into Committee on, 246. Third reading, 282. R. A.. 306. (62 Vic. c. 5.)
6. Bill (No. 246), introduced to amend the Ontario Controverted Election Act, 215. Second reading, 237. House goes into Committee on, 246. Third reading, 282. R. A., 306. (62 Vic. c. 6.)
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Petition for Act respecting, 93. Reported, 144. Bill (No. 74), introduced and referred, 147. Reported, 179. Second reading, 188. House goes into Committee on, 201. Third reading, 216. R. A., 306. (62 Vic. c. 47.)

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1. Petition for Act to authorize the borrowing of \$25,000, 70. Reported, 89. Bill (No. 35), introduced and referred, 90. Reported, 116. Second reading, 135. House goes into Committee on, 138. Third reading, 181. R. A., 306. (62 Vic. c. 49.)
2. Petition for Act respecting, 70. Reported, 88. Bill (No. 31), introduced and referred, 90. Reported, 116. Second reading, 135. House goes into Committee on, 138. Third reading, 181. R. A., 306. (62 Vic. c. 50.)

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OF THE

PROVINCE OF ONTARIO.

Wednesday, 1st February, 1899.

PROCLAMATION.

Canada,
Province of
Ontario. }

OLIVER MOWAT.

[L.S.]

VICTORIA, by the Grace of GOD, of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland,
QUEEN, Defender of the Faith, &c., &c., &c.

To Our Faithful, the Members elected to serve in the Legislative Assembly of our
Province of Ontario and to every of you—GREETING:

ARTHUR S. HARDY, } WHEREAS it is expedient for certain causes and considerations
Attorney-General. } to convene the Legislative Assembly of Our said Province,
WE DO WILL that you and each of you, and all others in this behalf interested, on
WEDNESDAY, the FIRST day of the Month of FEBRUARY now next, at OUR
CITY OF TORONTO aforesaid, personally be and appear for the DESPATCH OF BUSINESS,
to treat, act, do and conclude upon those things which, in Our Legislature of the Pro-
vince of Ontario by the Common Council of Our said Province, may by the favour of God
be ordained. HEREIN FAIL NOT.

In Testimony Whereof, we have caused these Our Letters to be made Public, and the Great Seal of Our Province of Ontario to be hereunto affixed: Witness, The Honourable Sir OLIVER MOWAT, Knight, Grand Cross of Our Most Distinguished Order of St Michael and St. George, Member of Our Privy Council for Canada and LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR of Our Province of Ontario, at Our Government House, in the City of Toronto, in Our said Province, this SEVENTH day of JANUARY, in the year of Our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety-nine, and in the Sixty-second year of Our Reign.

By Command,

CHARLES CLARKE,

Clerk of the Crown in Chancery.

Wednesday, the First day of February, 1899, being the First day of the Second Session of the Ninth Legislature of the Province of Ontario for the Despatch of Business, pursuant to a Proclamation of His Honour the Honourable Sir OLIVER MOWAT, G.C.M.G., Lieutenant-Governor of the Province.

3 O'CLOCK, P.M.

PRAYERS.

Mr. Speaker informed the House, That he had received notifications of vacancies which had occurred since the last Session of the House, and had issued his Warrants to the Clerk for new Writs for the Election of a Member to serve in the present Legislature for the following Electoral Districts :—

The East Riding of the County of Wellington.

The West Riding of the County of Huron.

The North Riding of the County of Hastings.

To the Honourable Francis Eugene Alfred Evanturel, Speaker of the Legislative Assembly of the Province of Ontario :

We, the undersigned, the Honourable Arthur Sturgis Hardy, Member of the Legislative Assembly for the Electoral District of South Brant, and the Honourable George William Ross, Member of the Legislative Assembly for the Electoral District of West Middlesex, hereby inform you that a vacancy exists in the representation of the Electoral District of East Wellington in the said Assembly, by or through the death of Mr. John Craig, which took place on or about the sixth day of September, 1898.

In witness whereof, we have hereunto set our hands and seals, at the City of Toronto, this fourth day of October, A.D., 1898.

(Signed),

ARTHUR S. HARDY, [L.S.]
GEO. W. ROSS. [L.S.]

Witness,

S. T. BASTEDO.

To the Honourable Francis Eugene Alfred Evanturel, Speaker of the Legislative Assembly of the Province of Ontario :

I, James Thompson Garrow, of the Town of Goderich, in the County of Huron, Esquire, the sitting Member of the said Assembly for the Electoral District of West Huron, do hereby declare to you as such Speaker as aforesaid, pursuant to Section 34, Sub-section 2, of Chapter 12, of the Revised Statutes of Ontario, 1897, this my declaration of an intent to resign my seat, and I do hereby resign my seat as such sitting Member as aforesaid, for the said Electoral District of West Huron.

As witness my hand and seal, this 2nd day of November, 1898, at the said Town of Goderich, in the County of Huron.

(Signed),

JAMES THOMPSON GARROW. [L.S.]

Witnesses : { C. SHANNON,
R. C. HAYS.

To the Honourable the Speaker of the Legislative Assembly of the Province of Ontario.

I, William John Allen, of the Township of Madoc, in the County of Hastings, hereby declare my intention to resign, and do hereby resign my seat in the Legislative Assembly of the Province of Ontario, for the North Riding of the County of Hastings.

Witness my hand and seal this Thirteenth day of November, A.D 1898.

Signed and sealed in the presence of
W. J. MOORE,
L. C. TIVY.

{ W. J. ALLEN. [L.S.]

Mr. Speaker also informed the House, That the Clerk had laid on the Table the following Certificates :—

PROVINCE OF ONTARIO.

THIS IS TO CERTIFY that, in virtue of a Writ of Election, dated the tenth day of October, 1898, issued by His Honour, the Lieutenant Governor, and addressed to John Anderson, Esquire, Returning Officer for the Electoral District of the East Riding of the County of Wellington, for the election of a Member to represent the said Electoral District of the East Riding of the County of Wellington in the Legislative Assembly of this Province, in the room of John Craig, Esquire, who, since his election as representative of the said East Riding of Wellington, had died, by reason whereof the seat of the said John Craig had become vacant, the Honourable John Morison Gibson has been returned as duly elected, as appears by the Return to the said Writ of Election, dated the seventh day of November, 1898, which is now lodged of record in my office.

CHARLES CLARKE,
Clerk, L. A.

Toronto, 1st February, 1899.

PROVINCE OF ONTARIO.

THIS IS TO CERTIFY that in virtue of a Writ of Election, dated this twenty-first day of November, 1898, issued by His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, and addressed to Robert G. Reynolds, Esquire, Returning Officer for the Electoral District of the West Riding of the County of Huron, for the election of a Member to represent the said Electoral District of the West Riding of the County of Huron in the Legislative Assembly of this Province in the room of James Thompson Garrow, Esquire, who, since his election as representative of the said West Riding of Huron, had resigned, by reason whereof the seat of the said James Thompson Garrow had become vacant, the Honourable James Thompson Garrow had been returned as duly elected, as appears by the Return to the said Writ of Election dated the nineteenth day of November, 1898, which is now lodged of record in my office.

CHARLES CLARKE,
Clerk, L. A.

Toronto, 1st February, 1899.

PROVINCE OF ONTARIO

THIS IS TO CERTIFY that in Virtue of a Writ of Election, dated the second day of December, 1898, issued by His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, and addressed to George F. Hope, Esquire, Returning Officer for the Electoral District of the North Riding of the County of Hastings, for the election of a Member to represent the said Electoral District of the North Riding of the County of Hastings, in the Legislative Assembly of this Province, in the room of William John Allen, Esquire, who had resigned, William John Allen, Esquire, has been returned as duly elected accordingly, as appears by the Return to the said Writ of Election, dated the thirteenth day of January, 1899 which is now lodged of record in my office.

CHARLES CLARKE,
Clerk, L. A.

Toronto, 1st February, 1899.

Mr. Speaker also informed the House, That he had received from the Judges selected for the trial of Election Petitions pursuant to the Controverted Elections Act of Ontario, Certificates and Reports relating to Elections for the Electoral Districts of :—

The North Riding of Ontario,
The South Riding of Wellington,
The Electoral District of Stormont,
The North Riding of Perth,
The Electoral District of East Algoma,
The Electoral District of Monck,
The West Riding of Durham,

The Electoral District of Welland,
The South Riding of Norfolk,
The West Riding of Victoria,
The West Riding of Kent,
The East Riding of Hastings,
The Electoral District of Prince Edward,
The East Riding of Hamilton,
The Electoral District of Frontenac,
The Electoral District of Lincoln,
The South Riding of Wentworth,
The South Riding of Brant,
The West Riding of Hamilton,
The Electoral District of Addington,
The South Riding of Waterloo,
The Electoral District of Dundas,
The North Riding of Lanark,
The East Riding of Middlesex,
The Centre Riding of Bruce,
The West Riding of Hastings,
The Electoral District of Glengarry,
The South Riding of Huron,
The West Riding of Huron (Cross Petition),
The Electoral District of Kingston,
The North Riding of Bruce,
The South Riding of Toronto,
The Electoral District of Haldimand,
The North Riding of Toronto,
The North Riding of Essex,
The Electoral District of Muskoka,
The Electoral District of Brockville,
The Electoral District of London,
The East Riding of Simcoe,
The West Riding of Algoma,
The Centre Riding of Simcoe,
The South Riding of Ontario,
The Electoral District of Lennox,
The Electoral District of Halton,
The West Riding of Huron (Petition),
The Electoral District of Nipissing,
The North Riding of Hastings,
The West Riding of Elgin,
The East Riding of Northumberland,
The West Riding of York.
The North Riding of Renfrew,

The North Riding of Middlesex,
The West Riding of Middlesex,
The North Riding of Grey, and
The Electoral District of the City of Ottawa.

The several Certificates and Reports were then read by the Clerk at the Table, as follows :—

IN THE COURT OF APPEAL FOR ONTARIO.

THE ONTARIO CONTROVERTED ELECTIONS ACT.

Election of a member for the Electoral District of the North Riding of Ontario, held on the 22nd day of February and the 1st day of March, A.D. 1898.

Between

John Keyes,
Petitioner,

and

W. H. Hoyle,
Respondent.

The undersigned, two of the Judges on the Rota for the trial of the Election Petition, under the said Act, do hereby certify that on the twelfth day of September, A.D. 1898, at the Town of Whitby, in the County of Ontario, we held a Court for the trial of and there tried the petition between the above named parties respecting the above election.

No particulars were delivered and no evidence was offered in support of the said Petition and we dismissed the same.

There is no evidence to show, and we cannot say that there is any reason to believe that corrupt practices extensively prevailed at the said election. No corrupt practices were proved to have been committed by or with the knowledge or consent of either of the candidates at the said election.

Signed,

F. OSLER,
THOMAS FERGUSON.

Dated at Osgoode Hall this 29th September, 1898.

To the Honourable the Speaker of the Legislative Assembly of Ontario.

IN THE COURT OF APPEAL FOR ONTARIO.

THE ONTARIO CONTROVERTED ELECTIONS ACT.

Election for the Electoral District of the South Riding of the County of Wellington,
held on the twenty-second day of February and the first day of March, A.D. 1898.

Between

William Slater,
Petitioner,

and

John Mutrie,
Respondent,

And in the matter of the Cross Petition in relation to the same election,

Between

Patrick Malloy,
Petitioner,
and
Henry Hortop,
Respondent.

The undersigned, two of the Justices on the Rota for the trial of Election Petitions,
under the said Act do hereby certify as follows :

1. That on Friday, the twenty-third day of September, 1898, we duly held a Court at the City of Toronto for the trial of and did try the said Election Petition and Cross Petition.
2. That on the trial of the said Petition no evidence was offered in support either of the Petition or of the Cross Petition.
3. We further certify that (no evidence whatever having been offered by either party) no corrupt practices were proved before us to have been committed by or with the knowledge or consent of either of the candidates at the said election.
4. We further certify that no particulars were filed in support of either the petition or cross petition.
5. We are unable to say whether there is, or is not, reason to believe that corrupt practices have extensively prevailed at the said election.
6. We dismissed said petition because no evidence was offered in support thereof, and we made no order as to costs, because neither party asked for costs.

Witness our hands this twenty eight day of September, 1898.

F. OSLER,
JAMES MACLENNAN,
Justices of Appeal and Trial Judges.

To the Honourable the Speaker of the Legislative Assembly of Ontario.

IN THE COURT OF APPEAL FOR ONTARIO:

THE ONTARIO CONTROVERTED ELECTIONS ACT.

Election of a Member of the Legislative Assembly of the Province of Ontario for the Electoral District of Stormont, holden on the twenty-second day of February, 1898, and the first day of March, 1898.

Election petition between

Treffle Dextras,
Petitioner,
and
John McLaughlin,
Respondent.

We, the Honourable William Glenholme Falconbridge and the Honourable William Purvis Rochfort Street, two of the Judges of the High Court of Justice for Ontario, do hereby certify that on the twenty-fourth day of September, 1898, at the City of Toronto, in the County of York, we held a Court for the trial of the Petition between the above named parties respecting the above named Election, at which Election the said John McLaughlin had been returned as elected, and that upon the opening of the Court the Petitioner Treffle Dextras announced that he was not prepared to give any evidence in support of his Petition or to substantiate the allegations made therein, and that we thereupon dismissed the Petition with costs, and declared and adjudged that the said John McLaughlin was duly elected and returned as a Member of the Legislative Assembly of the Province of Ontario for the Electoral District of Stormont. We also report that no evidence having been adduced before us of any corrupt practices, we are unable to say whether or not corrupt practices prevailed extensively at the said Election.

Dated at Osgoode Hall this seventh day of October, 1898.

W. G. FALCONBRIDGE, J.
W. P. R. STREET, J.

To the Honourable the Speaker of the Legislative Assembly of the Province of Ontario.

IN THE COURT OF APPEAL FOR ONTARIO.

THE ONTARIO CONTROVERTED ELECTIONS ACT.

Election for the Electoral District of the North Riding of the County of Perth holden on the 22nd day of February, 1898, and the 1st day of March, 1898.

Province of Ontario,

To wit:

Between

William Bogues,
Petitioner,
and
John Brown,
Respondent.

We, two of the Judges on the Rota assigned to try the Petition of the above named Petitioner William Bogues against the Election and Return of the above named Respondent John Brown to serve as a Member of the Legislative Assembly of Ontario for the above named Riding (in which Petition there were allegations of corrupt practice), hereby certify as follows:—That on the 14th day of October at Stratford we held a Court for the trial of the said Petition, and we report that no evidence being offered on the part of the Petitioner we dismissed the said Petition with costs and declared that the said Respondent John Brown was duly elected and returned at the said Election.

We further report that no corrupt practice has been proved to have been committed by or with the knowledge and consent of any candidate at said election, and that no persons were proved to have been guilty of any corrupt practice at the said Election.

We also further report that nothing appeared to indicate that corrupt practices extensively prevailed at the said Election.

Dated at Toronto this 18th October, 1898.

J. A. BOYD, C.

R. W. MEREDITH, J.

To the Honourable the Speaker of the Legislative Assembly of Ontario.

IN THE COURT OF APPEAL FOR ONTARIO.

THE ONTARIO CONTROVERTED ELECTIONS ACT.

Election for the Electoral District of East Algoma, holden on the 22nd day of February and the 1st day of March, A.D. 1898.

Between

Archibald M. Donald,
Petitioner,
and
Charles Franklin Farwell,
Respondent.

The undersigned, two of the Justices on the Rota for the trial of Election Petitions under the said Act, do hereby certify as follows:—

1. That on Saturday, the 15th day of October, A.D. 1898, we duly held a Court for the trial of and did try the said Election Petition at the City of Toronto, at which place the said petition was ordered to be tried, pursuant to section 40 of the said Act.

2. That at the same time and place counsel appeared for the said petitioner and respondent respectively, and consented to the said petition being tried on the day aforesaid notwithstanding that fifteen days had not elapsed since the close of the last Session of the Legislative Assembly for Ontario.

3. That on the trial of the said petition no evidence was offered in support of the said petition.

4. We further certify that (no evidence whatever having been offered by either party) no corrupt practices were proved before us to have been committed by or with the knowledge or consent of the candidates at the said election.

5. We further certify that no particulars were filed in support of the said petition.

6. We are unable to say whether there is or is not reason to believe that corrupt practices have extensively prevailed at the said election.

7. We dismissed said petition because no evidence was offered in support thereof, and made no order as to costs because neither party asked for costs.

Witness our hands this twenty-eighth day of October, A.D. 1898.

F. OSLER,
JAMES MACLENNAN,
Justices of Appeal and Trial Judges.

To the Honourable the Speaker of the Legislative Assembly of Ontario.

IN THE COURT OF APPEAL FOR ONTARIO.

THE ONTARIO CONTROVERTED ELECTIONS ACT.

Election for the Electoral District of Monck, holden on the 22nd day of February and the 1st of March, A.D. 1898.

Between

Francis Lattimore,

Petitioner,

and

Richard Harcourt,

Respondent.

The undersigned two of the Justices on the Rota for the trial of Elections under the said Act, do hereby certify as follows:—

1. That on Saturday the 15th day of October, A.D. 1898, we duly held a Court for the trial of and did try the said Election Petition at the City of Toronto, at which place the said petition was ordered to be tried, pursuant to section 40 of the said Act.

2. That at the said time and place counsel appeared for the said petitioner and respondent respectively and consented to the said petition being tried on the day aforesaid notwithstanding that fifteen days had not elapsed since the close of the last Session of the Legislative Assembly for Ontario.

3. That on the trial of the said petition no evidence was offered in support of the said petition.

4. We further certify that (no evidence whatever having been offered by either party) no corrupt practices were proved before us to have been committed by or with the knowledge or consent of the candidates at the said election.

5. We further certify that no particulars were filed in support of the said petition.

6. We are unable to say whether there is or is not reason to believe that corrupt practices have extensively prevailed at the said election.

7. We dismissed said petition because no evidence was offered in support thereof and made no order as to costs because neither party asked for costs.

Witness our hands this twenty-eighth day of October, A.D. 1898.

F. OSLER,

JAMES MACLENNAN.

To the Honourable the Speaker of the Legislative Assembly of Ontario.

IN THE COURT OF APPEAL FOR ONTARIO.

THE ONTARIO CONTROVERTED ELECTIONS ACT.

Election for the Electoral District of the West Riding of the County of Durham, holden on the 22nd day of February and the 1st day of March, A.D. 1898.

Between

Charles Burnham,

Petitioner,

and

William Henry Reid,

Respondent.

The undersigned, two of the Justices on the Rota for the trial of Election Petitions under the said Act, do hereby certify as follows:

1. That on Saturday, the 15th day of October, A.D. 1898, we duly held a Court for the trial and did try the said election petition at the City of Toronto, at which place the said petition was ordered to be tried, pursuant to Section 40 of the said Act.

2. That at the said time and place council appeared for the said petitioner and respondent respectively, and consented to the said petition being tried on the day aforesaid notwithstanding that fifteen days had not elapsed since the close of the last Session of the Legislative Assembly for Ontario.

3. That on the trial of the said petition no evidence was offered in support of the said petition.

4. We further certify that (no evidence whatever having been offered by either party) no corrupt practices were proved before us to have been committed by or with the knowledge or consent of the candidates at the said election.

5. We further certify that no particulars were filed in support of the said petition.

6. We are unable to say whether there is or is not reason to believe that corrupt practices have extensively prevailed at the said election.

7. We dismissed said petition because no evidence was offered in support thereof, and made no order as to costs because neither party asked for costs.

Witness our hands this twenty-eighth day of October, A.D. 1898.

F. OSLER,

JAMES MACLENNAN,

Justices of Appeal and Trial Judges

To the Honourable the Speaker of the Legislative Assembly of Ontario.

IN THE COURT OF APPEAL FOR ONTARIO.

THE ONTARIO CONTROVERTED ELECTIONS ACT.

Election for the Electoral District of the County of Welland, holden on the 22nd day of February and the 1st day of March, A.D. 1898.

Between

David Colman,

Petitioner,

and

William M. German,

Respondent.

The undersigned, two of the Justices on the Rota for the trial of Election Petitions under the said Act, do hereby certify as follows :

1. That on Saturday, the 15th day of October, A.D. 1898, we duly held a Court for the trial and did try the said election petition at the City of Toronto, at which place the said petition was ordered to be tried, pursuant to Section 40 of the said Act.

2. That at the said time and place counsel appeared for the said petitioner and respondent respectively, and consented to the said petition being tried on the day aforesaid notwithstanding fifteen days had not elapsed since the close of the last Session of the Legislative Assembly of Ontario.

3. That on the trial of the said petition no evidence was offered in support of the said petition.

4. We further certify that (no evidence whatever having been offered by either party) no corrupt practices were proved before us to have been committed by or with the knowledge or consent of the candidates at the said election.

5. We further certify that no particulars were filed in support of the said petition.
6. We are unable to say whether there is or is not reason to believe that corrupt practices have extensively prevailed at the said election.
7. We dismissed said petition because no evidence was offered in support thereof, and made no order as to costs because neither party asked for costs.

Witness our hands this twenty-eighth day of October, A.D. 1898.

F. OSLER,

JAMES MACLENNAN,

Justices of Appeal and Trial Judges

To the Honourable the Speaker of the Legislative Assembly of Ontario.

IN THE COURT OF APPEAL FOR ONTARIO.

THE ONTARIO CONTROVERTED ELECTIONS ACT.

Election for the Electoral District of the South Riding of the County of Norfolk, holden on the 22nd day of February and the 1st day of March, A.D. 1898.

Between

Andrew Innes,

Petitioner,

and

William A. Charlton,

Respondent.

The undersigned, two of the Justices on the Rota for the trial of Election Petitions under the said Act, do hereby certify as follows :

1. That on Saturday the 15th day of October, A.D. 1898, we duly held a Court for the trial of and did try the said election petition at the City of Toronto, at which place the said petition was ordered to be tried, pursuant to section 40 of the said Act.
2. That at the said time and place counsel appeared for the said petitioner and respondent respectively and consented to the said petition being tried on the day aforesaid notwithstanding that fifteen days had not elapsed since the close of the last Session of the Legislative Assembly for Ontario.
3. That on the trial of the said petition no evidence was offered in support of the said petition.
4. We further certify that (no evidence whatever having been offered by either party) no corrupt practices were proved before us to have been committed by or with the knowledge or consent of the candidates at the said election.
5. We further certify that no particulars were filed in support of the said petition.
6. We are unable to say whether there is or is not reason to believe that corrupt practices have extensively prevailed at the said election.

7. We dismissed said petition because no evidence was offered in support thereof, and made no order as to costs because neither party asked for costs.

Witness our hands this twenty-eighth day of October, A.D. 1898.

F. OSLER,
JAMES MACLENNAN,
Justices of Appeal and Trial Judges.

To the Honourable the Speaker of the Legislative Assembly of Ontario.

IN THE COURT OF APPEAL FOR ONTARIO.

THE ONTARIO CONTROVERTED ELECTIONS ACT.

Election for the Electoral District of the West Riding of the County of Victoria, holden on the 22nd of February and the 1st day of March, A. D. 1898.

Between

Patrick O'Reilley,
and Petitioner,
Samuel J. Fox,
Respondent.

The undersigned, two of the Judges on the Rota for the trial of Election Petitions, under the said Act, do hereby certify as follows :—

1. That on Monday, the 24th day of October, A.D. 1898, we duly held a Court for the trial of and did try the petition in respect of the above mentioned election in the Town of Lindsay, in the County of Victoria.

2. That on the trial of the said petition no corrupt practices were proved to have been committed at the said election by the above named Samuel J. Fox, the member whose election or return was complained of, or by any agent or agents on his behalf, and we therefore dismissed the said petition with costs.

4. We further certify and report (a) that no corrupt practices were proved before us to have been committed by or with the knowledge or consent of either of the candidates at the said election ; (b) that no person was proved at the trial to have been guilty of any corrupt practices ; (c) that there is no reason to believe that corrupt practices prevailed at the said election.

Witness our hands this third day of November, A.D. 1898.

F. OSLER, J.,
JAMES MACLENNAN, J.
Justices of Appeal and Trial Judges.

To the Honourable the Speaker of the Legislative Assembly of Ontario.

IN THE COURT OF APPEAL FOR ONTARIO.

THE ONTARIO CONTROVERTED ELECTIONS ACT.

Election for the Electoral District of the West Riding of the County of Kent, helden on the 22nd day of February and the 1st day of March, A. D. 1898.

Between

David Miller,

Petitioner.

and

Thomas Letson Pardo,

Respondent.

The undersigned, two of the Justices on the Rota for the trial of Election Petitions under the said Act, do hereby certify as follows:

1. That on Saturday, the 15th day of October, A. D. 1898, we duly held a Court for the trial of and did try the said election petition at the City of Toronto, at which place the said petition was ordered to be tried, pursuant to Section 40 of the said Act.

2. That at the said time and place counsel appeared for the said petitioner and respondent respectively and consented to the said petition being tried on the day aforesaid notwithstanding that fifteen days had not elapsed since the close of the last Session of the Legislative Assembly for Ontario.

3. That on the trial of the said petition no evidence was offered in support of the said petition.

4. We further certify that (no evidence whatever having been offered by either party) no corrupt practices were proved before us to have been committed by or with the knowledge or consent of the candidates at the said election.

5. We further certify that no particulars were filed in support of the said petition.

6. We are unable to say whether there is or is not reason to believe that corrupt practices have extensively prevailed at the said election.

7. We dismissed said petition because no evidence was offered in support thereof and made no order as to costs because neither party asked for costs.

Witness our hands this 28th day of October, A. D. 1898.

F. OSLER,

JAMES MACLENNAN,

Justices of Appeal and Trial Judges.

To the Honourable the Speaker of the Legislative Assembly of Ontario.

IN THE COURT OF APPEAL FOR ONTARIO.

THE ONTARIO CONTROVERTED ELECTIONS ACT.

Election for the Electoral District of the East Riding of the County of Hastings,
helden on the 22nd day of February and the 1st of March, A. D. 1898.

Between

Thomas James Kelly

Petitioner,

and

Samuel Russell,

Respondent.

The undersigned, two of the Justices on the Rota for the trial of Election Petitions under the said Act, do hereby certify as follows :

1. That on Saturday, the 15th day of October, A. D. 1898, we duly held a Court for the trial of and did try the said election petition at the City of Toronto, at which place the said petition was ordered to be tried, pursuant to Section 40 of the said Act.
2. That at the said time and place counsel appeared for the said petitioner and respondent respectively and consented to the said petition being tried on the day aforesaid notwithstanding that fifteen days had not elapsed since the close of the last Session of the Legislative Assembly for Ontario.
3. That on the trial of the said petition no evidence was offered in support of the said petition.
4. We further certify that (no evidence whatever having been offered by either party) no corrupt practices were proved before us to have been committed by or with the knowledge or consent of the candidates at the said election.
5. We further certify that no particulars were filed in support of the said petition.
6. We are unable to say whether there is or is not reason to believe that corrupt practices have extensively prevailed at the said election.
7. We dismissed said petition because no evidence was offered in support thereof, and made no order as to costs because neither party asked for costs.

Witness our hands this 28th day of October, A. D. 1898.

F. OSLER,
JAMES MACLENNAN,
Justices of Appeal and Trial Judges.

To the Honourable the Speaker of the Legislative Assembly of Ontario.

IN THE COURT OF APPEAL FOR ONTARIO.

THE ONTARIO CONTROVERTED ELECTIONS ACT.

Election for the Electoral District of the County of Prince Edward, holden on the 22nd day of February and 1st day of March, A.D. 1898.

Between

John Darling Gilbert,
Petitioner,
and

William Ryerson Dempsey,
Respondent.

The undersigned, two of the Justices on the Rota for the trial of Election Petitions, under the said Act, do hereby certify as follows:

1. That on Saturday the 15th day of October, A.D. 1898, we duly held a Court for the trial of and did try the said election petition at the City of Toronto, at which place the said petition was ordered to be tried, pursuant to section 40 of the said Act.

2. That at the said time and place, counsel appeared for the said petitioner and respondent respectively, and consented to the said petition being tried on the day aforesaid notwithstanding that fifteen days had not elapsed since the close of the last Session of the Legislative Assembly for Ontario.

3. That on the trial of the said petition no evidence was offered in support of the said petition.

4. We further certify that (no evidence whatever having been offered by either party) no corrupt practices were proved before us to have been committed by or with the knowledge or consent of the candidates at the said election.

5. We further certify that no particulars were filed in support of the said petition.

6. We are unable to say whether there is or is not reason to believe that corrupt practices have extensively prevailed at the said election.

7. We dismissed said petition because no evidence was offered in support thereof, and made no order as to costs because neither parties asked for costs.

Witness our hands this twenty-eighth day of October, A.D. 1898.

F. OSLER,

JAMES MACLENNAN,

Justices of Appeal and Trial Judges.

To The Honourable The Speaker of The Legislative Assembly of Ontario.

IN THE COURT OF APPEAL FOR ONTARIO.

THE ONTARIO CONTROVERTED ELECTIONS ACT.

Election for the Electoral District of East Hamilton, holden on the 22nd day of February and 1st of March, A.D. 1898.

Between

George Colman,
Petitioner,
and

Henry Carscallen,
Respondent.

The undersigned, two of the Justices on the Rota for the trial of Election Petitions, under the said Act, do hereby certify as follows :

1. That on Saturday the 15th day of October, A.D. 1898, we duly held a Court for the trial of and did try the said election petition at the City of Toronto, at which place the said petition was ordered to be tried, pursuant to section 40 of the said Act.

2. That at the said time and place, counsel appeared for the said petitioner and respondent respectively and consented to the said petition being tried on the day aforesaid notwithstanding that fifteen days had not elapsed since the close of the last Session of the Legislative Assembly for Ontario.

3. That on the trial of the said petition no evidence was offered in support of the said petition.

4. We further certify that (no evidence whatever having been offered by either party) no corrupt practices were proved before us to have been committed by or with the knowledge or consent of the candidates at the said election.

5. We further certify that no particulars were filed in support of the said petition.

6. We are unable to say whether there is or is not reason to believe that corrupt practices have extensively prevailed at the said election.

7. We dismissed said petition because no evidence was offered in support thereof, and made no order as to costs because neither party asked for costs.

Witness our hands this twenty-eighth day of October, A.D. 1898.

F. OSLER,

JAMES MACLENNAN,

Justices of Appeal and Trial Judges.

To the Honourable the Speaker of the Legislative Assembly of Ontario.

IN THE COURT OF APPEAL FOR ONTARIO.

THE ONTARIO CONTROVERTED ELECTIONS ACT.

Election for the Electoral District of the County of Frontenac, holden on the 22nd day of February and the 1st day of March, A.D. 1898.

Between

Robert Sands,
Petitioner.

and

John S. Gallagher,
Respondent.

The undersigned, two of the Justices on the Rota for the trial of Election Petitions under the said Act, do hereby certify as follows :

1. That on Saturday, the 15th day of October, A.D. 1898, we duly held a Court for the trial of and did try the said election petition at the City of Toronto, at which place the said petition was ordered to be tried, pursuant to section 40 of the said Act.

2. That at the said time and place counsel appeared for the said petitioner and respondent respectively, and consented to the said petition being tried on the day aforesaid, notwithstanding that fifteen days had not elapsed since the close of the last Session of the Legislative Assembly for Ontario.

3. That on the trial of the said petition no evidence was offered in support of the said petition.

4. We further certify that (no evidence whatever having been offered by either party) no corrupt practices were proved before us to have been committed by or with the knowledge or consent of the candidates at the said election.

5. We further certify that no particulars were filed in support of the said petition.

6. We are unable to say whether there is or is not reason to believe that corrupt practices have extensively prevailed at the said election.

7. We dismissed said petition because no evidence was offered in support thereof, and made no order as to costs because neither party asked for costs.

Witness our hands this twenty-eighth day of October, A.D. 1898.

F. OSLER,
JAMES MACLENNAN,
Justices of Appeal and Trial Judges.

To the Honourable the Speaker of the Legislative Assembly of Ontario.

IN THE COURT OF APPEAL FOR ONTARIO.

THE ONTARIO CONTROVERTED ELECTIONS ACT.

Election for the Electoral District of the County of Lincoln, holden on the 22nd day of February and the 1st day of March, A.D. 1898.

Between

Thomas Walsh,
Petitioner.
and
Elisha Jessop,
Respondent.

The undersigned, two of the Justices on the Rota for the trial of Election Petitions under the said Act, do hereby certify as follows:

1. That on Saturday, the 15th day of October, A.D. 1898, we duly held a Court for the trial of and did try the said election petition at the City of Toronto, at which place the said petition was ordered to be tried, pursuant to section 40 of the said Act.

2. That at the said time and place counsel appeared for the said petitioner and respondent respectively, and consented to the said petition being tried on the day aforesaid, notwithstanding that fifteen days had not elapsed since the close of the last Session of the Legislative Assembly for Ontario.

3. That on the trial of the said petition no evidence was offered in support of the said petition.

4. We further certify that (no evidence whatever having been offered by either party) no corrupt practices were proved before us to have been committed by or with the knowledge or consent of the candidates at the said election.

5. We further certify that no particulars were filed in support of the said petition.

6. We are unable to say whether there is or is not reason to believe that corrupt practices have extensively prevailed at the said election.

7. We dismissed said petition because no evidence was offered in support thereof, and made no order as to costs because neither party asked for costs.

Witness our hands this twenty-eight day of October, A. D. 1898.

F. OSLER,

JAMES MACLENNAN,

Justices of Appeal and Trial Judges.

To the Honourable the Speaker of the Legislative Assembly of Ontario.

IN THE COURT OF APPEAL FOR ONTARIO.

THE ONTARIO CONTROVERTED ELECTIONS ACT.

Election for the Electoral District of the South Riding of the County of Wentworth, holden on the 22nd day of February and the 1st day of March, A. D. 1898.

Between

Robert Henry Lewis,

Petitioner.

and

John Dickenson,

Respondent.

The undersigned, two of the Justices on the Rota for the trial of Election Petitions under the said Act, do hereby certify as follows :

1. That on Saturday the 15th day of October, A. D., 1898, we duly held a Court for the trial of and did try the said election petition at the City of Toronto, at which place the said petition was ordered to be tried, pursuant to section 40 of the said Act.

2. That at the same time and place counsel appeared for the petitioner and respondent respectively and consented to the said petition being tried on the day aforesaid notwithstanding that fifteen days had not elapsed since the close of the last Session of the Legislative Assembly for Ontario.

3. That on the trial of the said petition no evidence was offered in support of the said petition.

4. We further certify that (no evidence whatever having been offered by either party) no corrupt practices were proved before us to have been committed by or with the knowledge or consent of the candidates at the said election.

5. We further certify that no particulars were filed in support of the said petition.
6. We are unable to say whether there is or is not reason to believe that corrupt practices have extensively prevailed at the said election.
7. We dismissed said petition because no evidence was offered in support thereof, and made no order as to costs because neither party asked for costs.

Witness our hands this twenty-eighth day of October, A. D., 1898.

F. OSLER,
JAMES MACLENNAN,
Justices of Appeal and Trial Judges.

To the Honourable the Speaker of the Legislative Assembly of Ontario.

IN THE COURT OF APPEAL FOR ONTARIO.

THE ONTARIO CONTROVERTED ELECTIONS ACT.

Election for the Electoral District of the South Riding of the County of Brant, holden on the 22nd day of February and the 1st of March, A.D. 1898.

Between

Sylvester Day,
Petitioner,
and
Arthur S. Hardy,
Respondent.

The undersigned, two of the Justices on the Rota for the trial of Election Petitions, under the said Act, do hereby certify as follows:—

1. That on Saturday the 15th day of October, A.D. 1898, we duly held a Court for the trial of and did try the said election petition at the City of Toronto, at which place the said petition was ordered to be tried, pursuant to section 40 of the said Act.
2. That at the said time and place counsel appeared for the said petitioner and respondent respectively and consented to the said petition being tried on the day aforesaid notwithstanding that fifteen days had not elapsed since the close of the last Session of the Legislative Assembly for Ontario.
3. That on the trial of the said petition no evidence was offered in support of the said petition.
4. We further certify that (no evidence whatever having been offered by either party) no corrupt practices were proved before us to have been committed by or with the knowledge or consent of the candidates at the said election.
5. We further certify that no particulars were filed in support of the said petition.
6. We are unable to say whether there is or is not reason to believe that corrupt practices have extensively prevailed at the said election.

7. We dismissed said petition because no evidence was offered in support thereof, and made no order as to costs because neither party asked for costs.

Witness our hands this 28th day of October, A.D. 1898.

F. OSLER,
JAMES MACLENNAN,
Justices of Appeal and Trial Judges.

To the Honourable the Speaker of the Legislative Assembly of Ontario.

IN THE COURT OF APPEAL FOR ONTARIO.

THE ONTARIO CONTROVERTED ELECTIONS ACT.

Election for the Electoral District of West Hamilton, holden on the 22nd day of February and the 1st of March, A.D. 1898.

Between

Luther Byron Dawdy,
Petitioner,

and

Edward Alexander Colquhoun,
Respondent.

The undersigned, two of the Justices on the Rota for the trial of Election Petitions under the said Act, do hereby certify as follows :

1. That on Saturday, the 15th day of October, A.D. 1898, we duly held a Court for the trial of and did try the said election petition at the City of Toronto, at which place the said petition was ordered to be tried, pursuant to section 40 of the said Act.

2. That at the said time and place counsel appeared for the said petitioner and respondent, respectively, and consented to the said petition being tried on the day aforesaid, notwithstanding that fifteen days had not elapsed since the close of the last Session of the Legislative Assembly for Ontario.

3. That on the trial of the said petition no evidence was offered in support of the said petition.

4. We further certify that (no evidence whatever having been offered by either party) no corrupt practices were proved before us to have been committed by or with the knowledge or consent of the candidates at the said election.

5. We further certify that no particulars were filed in support of the said petition.

6. We are unable to say whether there is or is not reason to believe that corrupt practices have extensively prevailed at the said election.

7. We dismissed said petition because no evidence was offered in support thereof, and made no order as to costs because neither party asked for costs.

Witness our hand this 28th day of October, A. D. 1898.

F. OSLER,
JAMES MACLENNAN,
Justices of Appeal and Trial Judges.

To the Honourable the Speaker of the Legislative Assembly of Ontario.

IN THE COURT OF APPEAL FOR ONTARIO.

THE ONTARIO CONTROVERTED ELECTIONS ACT.

Election for the Electoral District of Addington, holden on the 22nd day of February and the 1st of March, A.D. 1898.

Between

Edward Madigan,
Petitioner,
and
James Reid,
Respondent.

The undersigned, two of the Justices on the Rota for the trial of Election Petitions, under the said Act, do hereby certify as follows :

1. That on Saturday, the 15th day of October, A.D. 1898, we duly held a Court for the trial of and did try the said election petition at the City of Toronto, at which place the said petition was ordered to be tried, pursuant to Section 40 of the said Act.

2. That at the said time and place counsel appeared for the said petitioner and respondent respectively, and consented to the said petition being tried on the day aforesaid, notwithstanding that fifteen days had not elapsed since the close of the last Session of the Legislative Assembly for Ontario.

3. That on the trial of the said petition no evidence was offered in support of the said petition.

4. We further certify that (no evidence whatever having been offered by either party) no corrupt practices were proved before us to have been committed by or with the knowledge or consent of the candidates at the said election.

5. We further certify that no particulars were filed in support of the said petition.

6. We are unable to say whether there is, or is not, reason to believe that corrupt practices have extensively prevailed at the said election.

7. We dismissed said petition because no evidence was offered in support thereof, and made no order as to costs, because neither party asked for costs.

Witness our hands this twenty-eight day of October, A.D. 1898.

F. OSLER,
JAMES MACLENNAN,
Justices of Appeal and Trial Judges.

To the Honourable the Speaker of the Legislative Assembly of Ontario.

IN THE COURT OF APPEAL FOR ONTARIO.

THE ONTARIO CONTROVERTED ELECTIONS ACT.

Election for the Electoral District of the South Riding of the County of Waterloo holden on the 22nd day of February and the 1st of March, A.D. 1898.

Between

Robert Nichol Scott,
Petitioner,
and
William A. Kribs,
Respondent.

The undersigned, two of the Justices on the Rota for the trial of Election Petitions, under the said Act, do hereby certify as follows:—

1. That on Saturday, the 15th day of October, A.D. 1898, we duly held a Court for the trial of and did try the said election petition at the City of Toronto, at which place the said petition was ordered to be tried, pursuant to Section 40 of the said Act.

2. That at the said time and place counsel appeared for the said petitioner and respondent respectively, and consented to the said petition being tried on the day aforesaid, notwithstanding that fifteen days had not elapsed since the close of the last Session of the Legislative Assembly for Ontario.

3. That on the trial of the said petition no evidence was offered in support of the said petition.

4. We further certify that (no evidence whatever having been offered by either party) no corrupt practices were proved before us to have been committed by or with the knowledge or consent of the candidates at the said election.

5. We further certify that no particulars were filed in support of the said petition.

6. We are unable to say whether there is, or is not, reason to believe that corrupt practices have extensively prevailed at the said election.

7. We dismissed said petition because no evidence was offered in support thereof, and made no order as to costs, because neither party asked for costs

Witness our hands this twenty-eight day of October, A.D. 1898.

F. OSLER,
JAMES MACLENNAN,
Justices of Appeal and Trial Judges.

To the Honourable the Speaker of the Legislative Assembly of Ontario.

IN THE COURT OF APPEAL FOR ONTARIO.

THE ONTARIO CONTROVERTED ELECTIONS ACT.

Election for the Electoral District of Dundas, holden on the 22nd day of February and the 1st day of March, A.D. 1898.

Between

Louis Lapierre,
Petitioner,
and
James Pliny Whitney,
Respondent.

The undersigned, two of the Justices on the Rota for the trial of Election Petitions, under the said Act, do hereby certify as follows:—

1. That on Saturday, the 15th day of October, A.D. 1898, we duly held a Court for the trial of and did try the said election petition at the City of Toronto, at which place the said petition was ordered to be tried, pursuant to Section 40 of the said Act.

2. That at the same time and place counsel appeared for the said petitioner and respondent respectively, and consented to the said petition being tried on the day aforesaid, notwithstanding that fifteen days had not elapsed since the close of the last Session of the Legislative Assembly for Ontario.

3. That on the trial of the said petition no evidence was offered in support of the said petition.

4. We further certify that (no evidence whatever having been offered by either party) no corrupt practices were proved before us to have been committed by or with the knowledge or consent of the candidates at the said election.

5. We further certify that no particulars were filed in support of the said petition.

6. We are unable to say whether there is, or is not, reason to believe that corrupt practices have extensively prevailed at the said election.

7. We dismissed said petition because no evidence was offered in support thereof and made no order as to costs, because neither party asked for costs.

Witness our hands this twenty-eight day of October, A.D. 1898.

F. OSLER,
JAMES MACLENNAN,
Justices of Appeal and Trial Judges.

To the Honourable the Speaker of the Legislative Assembly of Ontario.

IN THE COURT OF APPEAL FOR ONTARIO.

THE ONTARIO CONTROVERTED ELECTIONS ACT.

Election for the Electoral District of the North Riding of the County of Lanark, holden on the 22nd day of February and the 1st day of March, A.D. 1898.

Between

John Oates,
Petitioner,

and

William C. Caldwell,
Respondent.

The undersigned, two of the Justices on the Rota for the trial of Election Petitions under the said Act, do hereby certify as follows:—

1. That on Saturday, the 15th day of October, A.D. 1898, we duly held a Court for the trial of and did try the said Election Petition at the City of Toronto, at which place the said Petition was ordered to be tried, pursuant to section 40 of the said Act.

2. That at the said time and place counsel appeared for the said petitioner and respondent respectively and consented to the said Petition being tried on the day aforesaid, notwithstanding that fifteen days had not elapsed since the close of the last Session of the Legislative Assembly for Ontario.

3. That on the trial of the said Petition no evidence was offered in support of the said Petition.

4. We further certify that (no evidence whatever having been offered by either party) no corrupt practices were proved before us to have been committed by or with the knowledge or consent of the candidates at the said election.

5. We further certify that no particulars were filed in support of the said Petition.

6. We are unable to say whether there is or is not reason to believe that corrupt practices have extensively prevailed at the said Election.

7. We dismissed said Petition because no evidence was offered in support thereof and made no order as to costs, because neither party asked for costs.

Witness our hands this twenty-eighth day of October, A.D. 1898.

F. OSLER,

JAMES MACLENNAN.

Justices of Appeal and Trial Judges.

To the Honourable the Speaker of the Legislative Assembly of Ontario.

IN THE COURT OF APPEAL FOR ONTARIO.

THE ONTARIO CONTROVERTED ELECTIONS ACT.

Election for the Electoral District of the East Riding of the County of Middlesex, holden on the 22nd day of February and the 1st day of March, A.D. 1898.

Between

Archibald McMurphy,
Petitioner,
and

Thomas D. Hodgens,
Respondent.

The undersigned, two of the Justices on the Rota for the trial of Election Petitions under the said Act, do hereby certify as follows:—

1. That on Saturday, the 15th day of October, A.D. 1898, we duly held a Court for the trial of and did try the said Election Petition at the City of Toronto, at which place the said petition was ordered to be tried, pursuant to section 40 of the said Act.

2. That at the said time and place counsel appeared for the said petitioner and respondent respectively and consented to the said petition being tried on the day aforesaid, notwithstanding that fifteen days had not elapsed since the close of the last Session of the Legislative Assembly for Ontario.

3. That on the trial of the said petition no evidence was offered in support of the said petition.

4. We further certify that (no evidence whatever having been offered by either party) no corrupt practices were proved before us to have been committed by or with the knowledge or consent of the candidates at the said election.

5. We further certify that no particulars were filed in support of the said petition.

6. We are unable to say whether there is or is not reason to believe that corrupt practices have extensively prevailed at the said election.

7. We dismissed said petition because no evidence was offered in support thereof and made no order as to costs, because neither party asked for costs.

Witness our hands this twenty-eighth day of October, A.D. 1898.

F. OSLER,
JAMES MACLENNAN,
Justices of Appeal and Trial Judges.

To the Honourable the Speaker of the Legislative Assembly of Ontario.

IN THE COURT OF APPEAL FOR ONTARIO.

THE ONTARIO CONTROVERTED ELECTIONS ACT.

Election for the Electoral District of the Centre Riding of the County of Bruce,
held on the 22nd day of February and the 1st day of March, A.D. 1898.

Between

Christopher L. Papst,
Petitioner,
and
Andrew Malcolm,
Respondent.

The undersigned, two of the Justices on the Rota for the trial of Election Petitions under the said Act, do hereby certify as follows:—

1. That on Saturday, the 15th day of October, A.D. 1898, we duly held a Court for the trial of and did try the said Election Petition at the City of Toronto, at which place the said petition was ordered to be tried, pursuant to section 40 of the said Act.
2. That at the said time and place counsel appeared for the said petitioner and respondent respectively and consented to the said petition being tried on the day aforesaid, notwithstanding that fifteen days had not elapsed since the close of the last Session of the Legislative Assembly for Ontario.
3. That on the trial of the said petition no evidence was offered in support of the said petition.
4. We further certify that (no evidence whatever having been offered by either party) no corrupt practices were proved before us to have been committed by or with the knowledge or consent of the candidates at the said election.
5. We further certify that no particulars were filed in support of the said petition.
6. We are unable to say whether there is or is not reason to believe that corrupt practices have extensively prevailed at the said election.
7. We dismissed said petition because no evidence was offered in support thereof and made no order as to costs, because neither party asked for costs.

Witness our hands this twenty-eighth day of October, A.D. 1898.

F. OSLER,
JAMES MACLENNAN,
Justices of Appeal and Trial Judges.

To the Honourable the Speaker of the Legislative Assembly of Ontario.

IN THE COURT OF APPEAL FOR ONTARIO.

THE ONTARIO CONTROVERTED ELECTIONS ACT.

Election for the Electoral District of the West Riding of the County of Hastings held on the 22nd day of February and the 1st day of March, A. D. 1898.

Between

Herbert Clayton Macdiarmid,

Petitioner,

and

Marshall B. Morrison,

Respondent.

The undersigned, two of the Justices on the Rota for the trial of Election Petitions under the said Act, do hereby certify as follows:

1. That on Saturday, the 15th day of October, A. D. 1898, we duly held a court for the trial of and did try the said election petition at the City of Toronto, at which place the said petition was ordered to be tried, pursuant to Section 40 of the said Act.
2. That at the said time and place counsel appeared for the said petitioner and respondent respectively and consented to the said petition being tried on the day aforesaid, notwithstanding that fifteen days had not elapsed since the close of the last Session of the Legislative Assembly for Ontario.
3. That on the trial of the said petition no evidence was offered in support of the said petition.
4. We further certify that (no evidence whatever having been offered by either party) no corrupt practices were proved before us to have been committed by or with the knowledge or consent of the candidates at the said election.
5. We further certify that no particulars were filed in support of the said petition.
6. We are unable to say whether there is or is not reason to believe that corrupt practices have extensively prevailed at the said election.
7. We dismissed said petition because no evidence was offered in support thereof, and made no order as to costs because neither party asked for costs.

Witness our hands this 28th day of October, A. D. 1898.

F. OSLER,
JAMES MACLENNAN,
Justices of Appeal and Trial Judges.

To the Honourable the Speaker of the Legislative Assembly of Ontario.

IN THE COURT OF APPEAL FOR ONTARIO.

THE ONTARIO CONTROVERTED ELECTIONS ACT.

Election for the Electoral District of Glengarry, holden on the 22nd day of February and the 1st day of March, A. D. 1898.

Between

Daniel Sutherland,

Petitioner,

and

D. R. McDonald,

Respondent.

The undersigned, two of the Justices on the Rota for the trial of Election Petitions under the said Act, do hereby certify as follows :

1. That on Saturday, the 29th day of October, 1898, we duly held a Court for the trial of and did try the petition in respect of the above mentioned election at Osgoode Hall in the City of Toronto.

2. That on the trial of the said petition no corrupt practices were proved to have been committed at the said election by the above named D. R. McDonald, the member whose election and return was complained of, or by any agent or agents on his behalf, and we therefore dismissed the said petition with costs.

3. We further certify (a) that no corrupt practices were proved before us to have been committed by or with the knowledge or consent of either of the candidates at the said election ; (b) that no person was proved at the trial to have been guilty of any corrupt practice ; (c) that there is no reason to believe that corrupt practices extensively prevailed at the said election.

Witness our hands this 5th day of November, A. D. 1898.

F. OSLER,

JAMES MACLENNAN,
Justices of Appeal and Trial Judges.

To the Honourable the Speaker of the Legislative Assembly of Ontario.

IN THE COURT OF APPEAL FOR ONTARIO.

ONTARIO CONTROVERTED ELECTIONS ACTS.

Election for the Electoral District of South Huron, holden on the 22nd day of February, 1898, and the 1st day of March, 1898.

Province of Ontario,

To-wit :

Between

Donald Burns,

Petitioner,

and

Henry Eilber,

Respondent.

The 10th day of November, 1898.

To the Honourable the Speaker of the Legislative Assembly :

We, the Honourable William Glenholme Falconbridge and the Honourable William Purvis Rochfort Street, two of the Judges on the Rota for the trial of Election Petitions under the said Act, do hereby certify that on the 1st day of November, 1898, at the City of Toronto in the County of York, we held a Court for the trial of and there tried the petition between the above named parties respecting the said election, at which election the said Henry Eilber had been returned as duly elected.

2. That no evidence having been offered in support of said petition, we determined and adjudged that the said Henry Eilber was duly returned and elected at the said election and dismissed the said petition.

3. That, no evidence having been offered as aforesaid, a corrupt practice has not been proved to have been committed by or with the knowledge or consent of any candidate at the said election.

4. That no evidence having been offered as aforesaid, we are unable to say whether there is or is not reason to believe corrupt practices extensively prevailed at the said election.

W. G. FALCONBRIDGE, J.
W. P. R. STREET, J.

IN THE COURT OF APPEAL FOR ONTARIO.

THE ONTARIO CONTROVERTED ELECTIONS ACT.

Election for the Electoral District of the West Riding of Huron, holden on the 22nd day of February, 1898, and the 1st day of March, 1898.

Province of Ontario,
to wit :—

Between

James Thompson Garrow,
Petitioner,
and
Joseph Beck,
Respondent.

The 10th day of November, 1898.

To the Honourable the Speaker of the Legislative Assembly :—

We, the Honourable William Glenholme Falconbridge and the Honourable William Purvis Rochfort Street, two of the Judges on the Rota for the trial of Election Petitions under the said Act, do certify that on the first day of November, 1898, at the City of Toronto in the County of York, we held a Court for the trial of and there tried the cross-petition between the above-named parties respecting the said election, at which election the said James Thompson Garrow had been returned as duly elected.

2. That no evidence having been offered in support of the said cross-petition, we dismissed the same.

3. That no evidence having been offered as aforesaid, no corrupt practice was proved to have been committed by or with the knowledge or consent of any candidate at the said election, and for the same reason we are unable to say whether there is or is not reason to believe corrupt practices extensively prevailed at the said election.

W. G. FALCONBRIDGE, J,
W. P. R. STREET, J.

IN THE COURT OF APPEAL.

THE ONTARIO CONTROVERTED ELECTIONS ACT.

Election of a member for the Electoral District of Kingston, holden on the 22nd day of February and the 1st day of March, A.D. 1898.

Between

William Anson Mouck,

Petitioner,

and

The Honourable William Harty,

Respondent.

The undersigned, two of the Judges of the Rota for the trial of Election Petitions under the said Act, assigned to try the said petition, do hereby certify that on the thirtieth day of September and first and third days of October, A.D. 1898, at the City of Kingston aforesaid, we held a Court for the trial of and there tried the said election petition between the above-named parties respecting the said election.

2. We further certify that on the said trial we found and determined that the Honourable William Harty, the member whose election and return were complained of by the said petition, was duly elected and returned as such member, and we hereby declare that the said the Honourable William Harty was duly elected at the said election member for the said electoral district.

3. We further certify that no corrupt practices were proved before us to have been committed by or with the knowledge or consent of either of the candidates at the said election.

4. We further certify that corrupt practices have not extensively prevailed and that there is no reason to believe that corrupt practices have extensively prevailed at the said election.

Lastly, we certify that John Saunders, S. S. Montgomery and H. Mouck were proved at the said trial to have been guilty of corrupt practices.

Dated at Toronto, this fifteenth day of November, A.D. 1898.

J. A. BOYD, C. and J.,
THOMAS FERGUSON, J

To the Honourable the Speaker of the Legislative Assembly of Ontario.

IN THE COURT OF APPEAL FOR ONTARIO.

THE ONTARIO CONTROVERTED ELECTIONS ACT.

Election of a member of the Legislative Assembly for the Electoral District of the North Riding of the County of Bruce, holden on the 22nd day of February and 1st day of March, A.D. 1898.

Between

Thomas L. Watchorn,
Petitioner,
and

Charles M. Bowman,
Respondent.

The undersigned, two of the Judges on the Rota for the trial of Election Petitions, under the said Act, do hereby certify that on the fourteenth day of November, 1898, at Osgoode Hall in the City of Toronto, we held a Court for the trial of and there tried the election petition between the parties above-named respecting the said election.

2. That we found and determined that the said Charles M. Bowman was duly elected and returned as member for the said electoral district.

3. That no evidence whatever was given and we are therefore unable to say whether there is or is not reason to believe that corrupt practices extensively prevailed at the election to which said petition relates.

4. Charges of corrupt practices are made in the said petition, but no evidence thereof having been proffered we dismissed the petition.

5. We further specially report that the trial of this petition was originally fixed for the 21st day of October, 1898, at the Town of Wiarton, in the said Electoral District, but was changed to the 14th day of November at the City of Toronto by an Order made on the application of the petitioner and on the consent of the respondent.

6. On the 7th of October, 1898, particulars of corrupt practices intended to be relied on at the trial were filed in the proper office, together with an affidavit of the petitioner, in which he stated that he had reason to believe that the statements in the said particulars were true both in substance and in fact.

7. The said particulars contain upwards of 87 charges of various corrupt practices.

8. At the said trial on the 14th November, counsel for the petitioner said he had no evidence to offer. The respondent asked no costs and the said petition was accordingly dismissed without costs.

9. No application has been made during the progress of the cause to withdraw the petition.

Dated at Osgoode Hall, the 23rd day of November, A.D. 1898.

F. OSLER, J.,
THOMAS FERGUSON, J.

To the Honourable the Speaker of the Legislative Assembly of Ontario.

IN THE COURT OF APPEAL FOR ONTARIO.

THE ONTARIO CONTROVERTED ELECTIONS ACT.

Election of a member of the Legislative Assembly for the Electoral District of South Toronto, holden on the 22nd day of February and the 1st day of March, A.D. 1898.

Between

John Joseph Mackie,
Petitioner,

and

James J. Foy,
Respondent.

The undersigned, two of the Judges on the Rota for the trial of Election Petitions under the said Act, do hereby certify :

1. That on Friday the 4th day of November, 1898, we duly held a Court for the trial of and did try the petition in respect of the above mentioned election at Osgoode Hall in the City of Toronto.
2. That at the said trial we found and determined that the said James J. Foy was duly elected and returned as member for the said Electoral District and we therefore dismissed the said petition.
3. We further certify and report that no corrupt practices were proved before us to have been committed by or with the knowledge and consent of either of the candidates at the said election and that there is no reason to believe that corrupt practices extensively prevailed at the said election.
4. At the said trial counsel for the respondent asked no costs and the said petition was accordingly dismissed without costs.

Dated the 10th day of December, 1898.

F. OSLER, J.A.
JAMES MACLENNAN, J.A.

To the Honourable the Speaker of the Legislative Assembly of Ontario.

IN THE COURT OF APPEAL FOR ONTARIO.

THE ONTARIO CONTROVERTED ELECTIONS ACT.

Election of a member for the Electoral District of Haldimand, holden on the 22nd day of February and the 1st day of March, A.D. 1898.

Between

William Glenn,

Petitioner,

and

Jose W. Holmes,

Respondent.

The undersigned, two of the Judges on the Rota for the trial of Election Petitions under the said Act do hereby certify :

1. That on the 17th day of November, 1898, at the Town of Cayuga, in the County of Haldimand, we held a Court for the trial of and there tried the Election Petition between the above named parties respecting the said election.

2. That at the said trial we found and determined that the said Jose W. Holmes was duly elected and returned as member for the said Electoral District, and we therefore dismissed the said petition.

3. We further certify and report that on the trial of the said petition no corrupt practices were proved before us to have been committed at the said election by or with the knowledge or consent of either of the candidates at the said election.

4. Charges of corrupt practices are made in the said petition, but no evidence thereof was offered in respect of the same.

5. On the 2nd day of November, 1898, particulars of corrupt practices intended to be relied upon at the trial were filed in the proper office together with an affidavit of the petitioner in which he stated that he had reason to believe that the statements in the said particulars were true both in substance and in fact.

6. The said particulars contain upwards of 143 charges of various corrupt practices.

7. At the said trial on the 17th day of November, 1898, counsel for the petitioner said he had no evidence to offer ; the respondent asked no costs and the said petition was accordingly dismissed without costs.

8. We are unable to say whether there is or is not reason to believe that corrupt practices extensively prevailed at the election to which the petition relates.

9. No application has been made during the progress of the cause to withdraw the petition.

Dated the 10th day of December, 1898.

F. OSLER, J.A.

HUGH MACMAHON,

Judge on Rota.

To the Honourable the Speaker of the Legislative Assembly of Ontario.

IN THE COURT OF APPEAL FOR ONTARIO.

THE ONTARIO CONTROVERTED ELECTIONS

Election of a member for the Electoral District of North Toronto, holden on the 22nd day of February and the 1st day of March, A.D. 1898.

Between

Henry Summers,
Petitioner,
and
George F. Marter,
Respondent.

The undersigned, two of the Judges on the Rota for the trial of Election Petitions under the said Act do hereby certify :

1. That on the 18th day of November, 1898, at Osgoode Hall in the City of Toronto we held a Court for the trial of and there tried the Election Petition between the above named parties respecting the said election.
2. That at the said trial we found and determined that the said George F. Marter was duly elected and returned as member for the said Electoral District, and we therefore dismissed the said petition.
3. We further certify and report that on the trial of the said petition no corrupt practices were proved before us to have been committed at the said election by or with the knowledge and consent of either of the candidates at the said election.
4. Charges of corrupt practices are made in the said petition, but no evidence thereof was offered in respect of the same.
5. On the 4th day of November, 1898, particulars of corrupt practices intended to be relied upon at the trial were filed in the proper office together with an affidavit of the petitioner in which he stated that he had reason to believe that the statements in the said particulars were true both in substance and in fact
6. The said particulars contain upwards of 26 charges of various corrupt practices.
7. At the said trial on the 18th day of November, 1898, counsel for the petitioner said he had no evidence to offer ; the respondent asked no costs and the said petition was accordingly dismissed without costs.
8. We are unable to say whether there is or is not reason to believe that corrupt practices extensively prevailed at the election to which the petition relates.
9. No application has been made during the progress of the cause to withdraw the petition.

Dated the 10th day of December, 1898.

J. H. BOYD, C.

JAMES MACLENNAN, J.A.

To the Honourable the Speaker of the Legislative Assembly of Ontario.

IN THE COURT OF APPEAL FOR ONTARIO.

THE ONTARIO CONTROVERTED ELECTIONS ACT.

Election of a member for the Electoral District of the North Riding of the County of Essex, holden on the 22nd day of February and the 1st day of March, A.D. 1898.

Between

Thomas E. Kilroy,
Petitioner,

and

William J. McKee,
Respondent.

The undersigned, two of the Judges on the Rota for the trial of Election Petitions, under the said Act, do hereby certify :

1. That on the 25th day of November, 1898, at Osgoode Hall, in the City of Toronto, we held a Court for the trial of, and there tried the Election Petition between the above named parties respecting the said election.
2. That at the said trial we found and determined that the said William J. McKee was duly elected and returned as member for the said Electoral District, and we therefore dismissed the said petition.
3. We further certify and report: That on the trial of the said petition no corrupt practices were proved before us to have been committed at the said election by or with the knowledge and consent of either of the candidates at the said election.
4. Charges of corrupt practices are made in the said petition, but no evidence thereof was offered in respect of the same.
5. Particulars of corrupt practices intended to be relied upon at the trial were filed in the proper office, together with an affidavit of the petitioner, in which he stated that he had reason to believe that the statements in the said particulars were true, both in substance and in fact.
6. The said particulars contain upwards of seventy charges of various corrupt practices.
7. At the said trial on the 25th day of November, 1898, counsel for the petitioner said he had no evidence to offer; the respondent asked no costs and the said petition was accordingly dismissed without costs.
8. We are unable to say whether there is or is not reason to believe that corrupt practices extensively prevailed at the election to which the petition relates.
9. No application has been made during the progress of the cause to withdraw the petition.

F. OSLER, J.A.,
JOHN E. ROSE, J.

Dated the 12th day of December, 1898.

To the Honourable the Speaker of the Legislative Assembly of Ontario.

IN THE COURT OF APPEAL FOR ONTARIO.

THE ONTARIO CONTROVERTED ELECTIONS ACT.

Election of a member for the Electoral District of Muskoka, holden on the 22nd day of February and the 1st day of March, A.D. 1898.

Between

George E. Langford,
Petitioner,
and

Samuel Bridgland,
Respondent.

The undersigned, two of the Judges on the Rota for the trial of Election Petitions, under the said Act, do hereby certify :

1. That on the 25th day of November, 1898, at Osgoode Hall, in the City of Toronto, we held a Court for the trial of, and there tried the Election Petition between the above named parties respecting the said election.

2. That at the said trial we found and determined that the said Samuel Bridgland was duly elected and returned as member for the said Electoral District, and we therefore dismissed the said petition.

3. We further certify and report : That on the trial of the said petition no corrupt practices were proved before us to have been committed at the said election by or with the knowledge and consent of either of the candidates at the said election.

4. Charges of corrupt practices are made in the said petition, but no evidence thereof was offered in respect of the same.

5. Particulars of corrupt practices intended to be relied upon at the trial were filed in the proper office, together with an affidavit of the petitioner, in which he stated that he had reason to believe that the statements in the said particulars were true, both in substance and in fact.

6. The said particulars contain upwards of 106 charges of various corrupt practices.

7. At the said trial on the 25th day of November 1898, counsel for the petitioner said he had no evidence to offer ; the respondent asked no costs and the said petition was accordingly dismissed without costs.

8. We are unable to say whether there is or is not reason to believe that corrupt practices extensively prevailed at the election to which the petition relates.

9. No application has been made during the progress of the cause to withdraw the petition.

F. OSLER, J.A.,
JOHN E. ROSE, J.

Dated the 12th day of December, 1898.

To the Honourable the Speaker of the Legislative Assembly of Ontario.

IN THE COURT OF APPEAL FOR ONTARIO.

THE ONTARIO CONTROVERTED ELECTIONS ACT.

Election of a member of the Legislative Assembly for the Electoral District of Brockville, holden on the 22nd day of February and 1st day of March, A.D. 1898.

Between

William L. Brownbridge,
Petitioner,

and

George Perry Graham,
Respondent.

The undersigned, two of the Judges on the Rota for the trial of Election Petitions under the said Act, do hereby certify :

1. That on the 5th day of December, 1898, at Osgoode Hall, in the City of Toronto, we held a Court for the trial of and there tried the petition in respect of the above mentioned election.
2. That at the said trial we found and determined that the said George Perry Graham was duly elected and returned as member for the said Electoral District, and we therefore dismissed the said petition.
3. We further certify and report : That no corrupt practices were proved before us to have been committed by or with the knowledge and consent of either of the candidates at the said election, and that there is no reason to believe that corrupt practices extensively prevailed at the said election.
4. At the said trial counsel for the respondent asked no costs and the said petition was accordingly dismissed without costs.

JOHN E. ROSE, J.,
HUGH MACMAHON, J.

Dated the 13th day of December, 1898.

To the Honourable the Speaker of the Legislative Assembly of Ontario.

IN THE COURT OF APPEAL FOR ONTARIO.

THE ONTARIO CONTROVERTED ELECTIONS ACT.

Election of a member for the Electoral District of London, holden on the 22nd day of February and the 1st day of March, A.D., 1898.

Between

William Wheeler and Joseph Burt Simpson,
added as a petitioner by order of Mr. Justice Osler
dated 22nd day of October, A.D. 1898,

and

Petitioners,

Francis Baxter Leys,

Respondent.

The undersigned, two of the Judges on the Rota for the trial of election petitions under the said Act, do hereby certify :

1. That on the 5th day of December, A.D. 1898, at Osgoode Hall, in the City of Toronto, we held a Court for the trial of and there tried the election petition between the above named parties respecting the said election.

2. That at the said trial we found and determined that the said Francis Baxter Leys was duly elected and returned as member for the said electoral district, and we therefore dismissed the said petition.

3. We further certify and report that on the trial of the said petition no corrupt practices were proved before us to have been committed at the said election by or with the knowledge and consent of either of the candidates at the said election.

4. Charges of corrupt practices are made in the said petition, but no evidence thereof was offered in respect of the same.

5. Particulars of corrupt practices intended to be relied upon at the trial were filed in the proper office, together with an affidavit of one of the petitioners, in which he stated that he had reason to believe that the statements in the said particulars were true, both in substance and in fact.

6. The said particulars contain upwards of 1,036 charges of various corrupt practices.

7. At the said trial, on the 5th day of December, 1898, counsel for the petitioners said he had no evidence to offer ; the respondent asked no costs and the said petition was accordingly dismissed without costs.

8. We are unable to say whether corrupt practices extensively prevailed at the election to which the petition relates.

9. No application has been made during the progress of the cause to withdraw the petition.

Dated this 13th day of December, 1898.

JOHN E. ROSE, J.,
HUGH MACMAHON,
Judge on Rota.

To the Honourable the Speaker of the Legislative Assembly of Ontario.

IN THE COURT OF APPEAL FOR ONTARIO.

THE ONTARIO CONTROVERTED ELECTIONS ACT.

Election for the Electoral District of East Simcoe, holden on the 22nd day of February and the 1st day of March, 1898.

Between

Isaac Saunders,
Petitioner.
and
Andrew Miscampbell,
Respondent.

The undersigned, two of the Judges on the Rota for the trial of election petitions under the said Act, do hereby certify:

1. That on the 12th day of November, 1898, at Osgoode Hall, in the City of Toronto, we held a Court for the trial of and there tried the petition in respect of the above mentioned election.
2. That at the said trial we found and determined that the said Andrew Miscampbell was duly elected and returned as member for the said electoral district, and we therefore dismissed the said petition.
3. We further certify and report that on the trial of the said petition no corrupt practices were proved before us to have been committed at the said election by or with the knowledge and consent of either of the candidates at the said election.
4. Charges of corrupt practices are made in the said petition but no evidence thereof was offered, and we are therefore unable to say whether there is or is not reason to believe that corrupt practices extensively prevailed at the election to which the petition relates.
5. At the said trial counsel for the respondent asked no costs and the petition was accordingly dismissed without costs.

Witness our hands this fifteenth day of December, 1898.

W. G. FALCONBRIDGE, J.,
W. P. R. STREET, J.

To the Honourable the Speaker of the Legislative Assembly of Ontario.

IN THE COURT OF APPEAL FOR ONTARIO.

THE ONTARIO CONTROVERTED ELECTION ACT.

Election for the Electoral District of West Algoma, holden on the 22nd day of February and the 1st day of March, 1898.

Between

Robert Craig,

Petitioner,

and

James Conmee,

Respondent.

The undersigned, two on the Judges of the Rota for the trial of election petitions under the said Act, do hereby certify:

1. That on the 3rd day of December, 1898, at Osgoode Hall, in the City of Toronto, we held a Court for the trial of and there tried the petition in respect of the above mentioned election.

2. That at the said trial we found and determined that the said James Conmee was duly elected and returned as a member for the said electoral district, and we therefore dismissed the said petition.

3. We further certify and report that on the trial of the petition no corrupt practices were proved before us to have been committed at the said election by or with the knowledge and consent of either of the candidates at the said election.

4. Charges of corrupt practices are made in the said petition, but no evidence thereof was offered in respect of the same, and we are, therefore, unable to say whether there is, or is not, reason to believe that corrupt practices extensively prevailed at the election to which the petition relates.

5. At the said trial no one appearing for the said Petitioner, and it appearing that no particulars had been delivered by said Petitioner, and Counsel for the Respondent asking no costs, the said petition was dismissed without costs.

Witness our hands this fifteenth day of December, A.D. 1898.

W. G. FALCONBRIDGE, J.

W. P. R. STREET, J.

To the Honourable the Speaker of the Legislative Assembly of Ontario.

IN THE COURT OF APPEAL FOR ONTARIO.

THE ONTARIO CONTROVERTED ELECTION ACT.

Election for the Electoral District of Centre Simcoe, holden on the 22nd day of February and the 1st day of March, A.D. 1898.

Between

Andrew F. Hunter,
Petitioner,
and
A. B. Thompson,
Respondent.

The undersigned, two of the Judges on the Rota for the trial of Election Petitions' under the said Act, do hereby certify :

1. That on the 12th and 26th days of November, 1898, at Osgoode Hall, in the City of Toronto, we held a Court for the trial of and there tried the petition in respect of the above mentioned election.
2. That at the said trial we found and determined that the said A. B. Thompson was duly elected and returned as member for the said Electoral District, and we, therefore, dismissed the said petition.
3. We further certify and report that on the trial of the said petition no corrupt practices were proved before us to have been committed at the said election by or with the knowledge and consent of either of the Candidates at the said election.
4. Charges of corrupt practices are made in the said petition, but no evidence, thereof, was offered in respect of the same.
5. Particulars of corrupt practices, intended to be relied on at the trial, were filed in the proper office, together with an affidavit of the Petitioner, in which he stated that he had reason to believe that the statement in the said particulars were true, both in substance and in fact.
6. The said particulars contain upwards of forty-four charges of various corrupt practices.
7. At the trial on the said 26th day of November, A.D. 1898, counsel for the Petitioner said he had no evidence to offer. The Respondent asked no costs and the said petition was accordingly dismissed without costs.
8. We are unable to say whether there is, or is not, reason to believe that corrupt practices extensively prevailed at the election to which the petition relates.
9. No application has been made during the progress of the cause to withdraw the said petition.

Witness our hands this fifteenth day of December, A.D. 1898

W. G. FALCONBRIDGE, J.
W. P. R. STREET, J.

To the Honourable the Speaker of the Legislative Assembly of Ontario.

IN THE COURT OF APPEAL FOR ONTARIO.

THE ONTARIO CONTROVERTED ELECTIONS ACT.

Election for the Electoral District of West York, holden on the 22nd day of February, 1898, and the 1st day of March, 1898 :

Between

William Duncan McNab,
Petitioner,
and

William James Hill,
Respondent.

We, the Honourable William Glenholme Falconbridge and the Honourable William Purvis Rochfort Street, two of the Judges on the Rota for the trial of Election Petitions, under the said Act, do hereby certify that on the 3rd, 4th, 5th, 7th, 8th, 9th, 10th, 11th and 12th days of November, 1898, and on the 19th, 20th, 21st, 22nd and 23rd days of December, 1898, at the City of Toronto, in the County of York, we held a Court for the trial of and there tried the petition in respect of the above named election, at which election the above named William James Hill had been returned as elected, and that at the said trial we determined that the said William James Hill was duly elected as a Member of the Legislative Assembly of Ontario for the Electoral District of West York, and that we dismissed the said petition.

Signed,

Dated this 26th day of December, 1898.

W. G. FALCONBRIDGE, J.
W. P. R. STREET, J.

To the Honourable the Speaker of the Legislative Assembly of the Province of Ontario.

Osgoode Hall, Dec. 26th, 1898.

SIR,—Referring to the Certificate with respect to the West York election trial, which we have the honor to transmit to you, we beg in accordance with the Statute, further to report as follows :

1. That a corrupt act was proved to have been committed by one J. M. Pearen, an agent of the respondent, but without the knowledge or consent of the Respondent, the nature of such act being to offer or promise or promise to procure an office, place or employment to or for a voter in the said electoral district, to wit, one Charles Walter Dennison, in order to induce him to vote for the respondent at the said election or to restrain from voting thereat or to induce him to procure or endeavor to procure the return

of the respondent to serve in the Legislative Assembly; but we are also of the opinion that such act was not an intentional violation of law and did not involve moral culpability or affect the result of the election.

2. That we have no reason to believe that corrupt practices have extensively prevailed at the said election.

We have the honour to be, Sir, your obedient servants,

Signed,

W. G. FALCONBRIDGE, J.,
W. P. R. STREET, J.

To the Honourable the Speaker of the Legislative Assembly of the Province of Ontario.

IN THE COURT OF APPEAL FOR ONTARIO.

THE ONTARIO CONTROVERTED ELECTIONS ACT.

Election of a member for the Electoral District of the South Riding of the County of Ontario, holden on the 22nd day of February and the 1st day of March, A.D. 1898.

Between

J. F. Tamby,

Substituted as petitioner herein by order for, and instead of Charles Henry Pilkey, the original petitioner,

and

Charles Calder,

Respondent.

And by way of cross-petition relating to the same election

Between

Charles Calder,

Petitioner,

and

John Dryden,

Respondent.

The undersigned, two of the Judges on the Rota for the trial of Election Petitions, under the said Act, do hereby certify:

1. That on the twelfth and thirteenth days of September, A.D. 1898, at the Town of Whitby in the County of Ontario, we held a Court for the trial of and there tried the election petition and cross petition between the above-named parties respecting the said election.

2. We farther certify that on the said trial we found and determined that Charles Calder, the member whose election and return was complained of by the said petitioner,

was not duly elected and returned as such member and that the said election was and is void.

3. No evidence was offered in support of the said cross petition and we accordingly dismissed the same.

4. We further certify and report that no corrupt practices were proved before us to have been committed by or with the knowledge and consent of either of the said candidates at the said election.

5. We further certify and report that in so far as the charges made in the said election petition and particulars were entered upon and proved at the said trial there is no reason to believe that corrupt practices extensively prevailed at the said election.

We further certify that the following persons were proved at the said trial to have been guilty of corrupt practices, that is to say of bribery, namely:

Thomas Edward Baker, John Shearhan, Patrick Shearhan, Frederick McLean, Wm. Hayes, James McGrail, Austin McGrail, John McGrail, Arthur Stapleton, Lewis Luke, W. H. Thomas, David Lockwood, William Beer, Aaron Harmon, Stewart Bruce, George H. Banbury, W. F. Jones.

We substitute this certificate and report for the certificate and report already transmitted by us in the matter of this petition, an error having occurred in the said former certificate and report in the names of some of the persons reported therein for corrupt practices.

Dated this eighteenth day of October, A.D. 1898.

F. OSLER,

THOMAS FERGUSON,

Trial Judges.

To the Honourable the Speaker of the Legislative Assembly of Ontario.

IN THE COURT OF APPEAL FOR ONTARIO.

THE ONTARIO CONTROVERTED ELECTIONS ACT.

Election for the Electoral District of the County of Lennox, holden on the 22nd day of February, 1898, and the 1st day of March, 1898.

Province of Ontario,

To wit:

Between

Frederick Gown Blair,
Petitioner,
and

Bowen Ebenezer Aylsworth,
Respondent.

The 20th day of October, 1898.

To the Honourable the Speaker of the Legislative Assembly:

We, the Honourable William Glenholme Falconbridge and the Honourable William Purvis Rochfort Street, two of the Judges on the Rota for the trial of Election Petitions

under the said Act, do hereby certify that on the 10th day of October, 1898, at the City of Toronto, in the County of York, we held a Court for the trial of and there tried the petition between the above named parties respecting the said election.

2. That after hearing the evidence adduced by the petitioner and the admission of the respondent by his counsel we determined the said election void.

3. That no corrupt practices were proved before us to have been committed by or with the knowledge or consent of either of the candidates at the said election.

4. Nelson E. Ellsworth was proved to have been guilty of a corrupt practice.

5. That evidence having been given before us of one corrupt practice having been committed at the said election, and the respondent by his counsel admitting that a sufficient number of other corrupt practices have been committed at the said election by agents of the respondent to affect the result of the said election, we think there is reason to believe that corrupt practices have extensively prevailed at the said election.

W. G. FALCONBRIDGE, J.

W. P. R. STREET, J.

IN THE COURT OF APPEAL FOR ONTARIO.

THE ONTARIO CONTROVERTED ELECTIONS ACT.

Election for the Electoral District of the County of Halton, holden on the 22nd day of February and the 1st day of March, A.D. 1898.

Between

John Adams.

Petitioner,

and

John Roaf Barber,

Respondent.

The undersigned, two of the Justices on the Rota for the trial of Election Petitions under the said Act, do hereby certify as follows:—

1. That on Thursday, the 27th day of October, A.D. 1898, we duly held a Court for the trial of and did try the petition in respect of the above election at the Town of Milton, in the County of Halton.

2. That at the said trial we determined that the above named John Roaf Barber was not duly elected and returned at the said election, and that the said election is and was void; and we gave judgment for the above named petitioner, avoiding the said election with costs.

And we do hereby further certify and report as follows:—

(a) That no corrupt practice has been proved before us to have been committed by or with the knowledge and consent of any candidate at the said election.

(b) That the following persons were proved to have been guilty of corrupt practices, that is to say of bribery:

Robert Sherwood; A. E. Cross; C. E. Ryan; George Storey; Thomas A. Dent, junior; William Elliott, junior; Michael Quinn; Patrick Lyons; William Dowdle; Thomas Dowdle; John Wesley Wallis or Wallace; Hugh Henry Hanna; John Evans, and William Halliday.

(c) That corrupt practices did extensively prevail at the said election.

Witness our hands this fourth day of November, A.D. 1898.

F. OSLER,
JAMES MACLENNAN,
Justices of Appeal and Trial Judges.

To the Honourable the Speaker of the Legislative Assembly of Ontario.

IN THE COURT OF APPEAL FOR ONTARIO.

ONTARIO CONTROVERTED ELECTIONS ACT

Election for the Electoral District of West Riding of Huron, holden on the 22nd day of February, 1898, and the 1st day of March, 1898.

Province of Ontario,

To Wit:—

Between

Joseph Beck,
Petitioner.
and

James Thompson Garrow, and Alexander L. Gibson,
Respondents.

The 10th of November, 1898.

To the Honourable the Speaker of the Legislative Assembly:—

We, the Honourable William Glenholme Falconbridge, and the Honourable William Purvis Rochfort Street, two of the Judges on the Rota for the trial of Election Petitions under the said Act, do hereby certify that on the first day of November, 1898, at the City of Toronto in the County of York, we held a Court for the trial of and there tried the Petition between the above named parties respecting the said Election, at which election the said James Thompson Garrow has been returned as duly elected.

2. That no evidence having been offered in support of the said Petition, we determined and adjudged that the said James Thompson Garrow was duly returned and elected at the said Election, and dismissed the said Petition.

3. That no evidence having been offered as aforesaid, a corrupt practice had not been proved to have been committed by or with the knowledge or consent of any candidate at the said Election.

4. That no evidence being offered as aforesaid, we are unable to say whether there is or is not reason to believe corrupt practices extensively prevailed at the said Election.

W. G. FALCONBRIDGE, J.

W. P. R. STREET, J.

IN THE COURT OF APPEAL FOR ONTARIO.

THE ONTARIO CONTROVERTED ELECTIONS ACT.

Election for the Electoral District of Nipissing holden on the 22nd day of February and the 1st day of March A.D. 1898.

Between

William Hewitt,

Petitioner.

and

John Loughrin.

Respondent.

The undersigned, two of the Justices on the Rota for the trial of Election Petitions under the said Act, do hereby certify as follows:—

1. That on Monday the 7th day of November, A. D. 1898, we duly held a Court for the trial of and did try the petition in respect of the above election at the Town of North Bay in the District of Nipissing.

2. That at the said trial we determined that the above named John Loughrin was not duly elected and returned at the said election and that the said election was and is void; and we gave judgment for the above named petitioner, avoiding the said election with costs.

And we do further certify and report as follows:

(a) That no corrupt practice has been proved before us to have been committed by or with the knowledge and consent of any candidate at the said election.

(b) That the following persons were proved at the said trial to have been guilty of corrupt practices, that is to say, of a violation of section one hundred and sixty-three, sub-section one, of the Ontario Election Act:—William N. Murphy; Samuel J. McMeekin; Bartholemew J. Gilligan.

(c) That there is no reason to believe that corrupt practices did extensively prevail at the said election.

Witness our hands this Sixteenth day of November, A.D. 1898.

F. OSLER,

JAMES MACLENNAN,

Justices of Appeal and Trial Judges.

To the Honourable the Speaker of the Legislative Assembly of Ontario.

IN THE COURT OF APPEAL FOR ONTARIO.

THE ONTARIO CONTROVERTED ELECTIONS ACT.

Election of a member for the Electoral District of the North Riding of the County of Hastings, holden on the 22nd day of February and 1st day of March, 1898.

Between

Charles D. McDonald,

Petitioner,

and

W. J. Allen,

Respondent.

The undersigned, two of the Judges on the Rota for the trial of Election Petitions under the said Act, do hereby certify :

1. That on Thursday, the 17th day of November, 1898, at Osgoode Hall, in the City of Toronto, we held a Court for the trial of, and there tried the petition in respect to the above mentioned election.

2. That at the said trial, we found and determined that the said W. J. Allen was duly elected and returned as member for the said Electoral District and we therefore dismissed the said petition.

3. We further certify and report that on the trial of the said petition no corrupt practices were proved before us to have been committed at the said election by or with the knowledge and consent of either of the candidates at the said election.

4. Charges of corrupt practices are made in the said petition, but no evidence thereof was offered in respect of the same.

5. Particulars of corrupt practices intended to be relied upon at the trial were filed in the proper office, together with an affidavit of the petitioner, in which he stated he had reason to believe that the statements in the said particulars were true, in substance and in fact.

6. The said particulars contain upwards of fifty-nine charges of various corrupt practices.

7. At the said trial on the 17th day of November, counsel for the petitioner said he had no evidence to offer; the respondent asked no costs and the said petition was accordingly dismissed without costs.

8. We are unable to say whether there is or is not reason to believe that corrupt practices extensively prevailed at the election to which the petition relates.

9. No application has been made during the progress of the cause to withdraw the said petition.

Dated at Osgoode Hall, Toronto, this 19th day of January, 1899.

J. A. BOYD, J.

THOMAS FERGUSON, J.

To the Honourable the Speaker of the Legislative Assembly of Ontario.

IN THE COURT OF APPEAL FOR ONTARIO.

THE ONTARIO CONTROVERTED ELECTION ACT.

Election for the Electoral District of North Renfrew, holden on the 22nd day of February and the 1st day of March, 1898.

Between

Albert Witt,

Petitioner,

and

Albert T. White,

Respondent.

The undersigned, two of the Judges on the Rota for the trial of election Petitions under the said Act, do hereby certify :

1. That on Thursday, the 17th day of November, 1898, at Osgoode Hall, in the City of Toronto, we held a court for the trial of and there tried the Petition in respect of the above mentioned Election.

2. That at the said trial we found and determined that the said Andrew White was duly elected and returned as Member for the said Electoral District, and we therefore dismissed the said Petition.

3. We further certify and report that on the trial of the said Petition no corrupt practices were proved before us to have been committed at the said Election by or with the knowledge and consent of either of the Candidates at the said Election.

4. Charges of corrupt practices are made in the said Petition, but no evidence thereof was offered in respect of the same.

5. Particulars of corrupt practices intended to be relied on at the trial were filed in the proper office, together with an affidavit of the petitioner, in which he stated he had reason to believe that the statements in the said particulars were true in substance and in fact.

6. The said particulars contain upwards of 103 charges of various corrupt practices.

7. At the said trial on the 17th day of November, Counsel for the Petitioner said he had no evidence to offer; the Respondent asked no costs and the said petition was accordingly dismissed without costs.

8. We are unable to say whether there is or is not reason to believe that corrupt practices extensively prevailed at the Election to which the Petition relates.

9. No application has been made during the progress of the cause to withdraw the said Petition.

Dated at Osgoode Hall, Toronto, this 18th day of January, 1899.

J. A. BOYD, J.

THOMAS FERGUSON, J.

To the Honourable the Speaker of the Legislative Assembly of Ontario.

IN THE COURT OF APPEAL FOR ONTARIO.

THE ONTARIO CONTROVERTED ELECTIONS ACT.

Election for the Electoral District of the City of Ottawa, holden on the 22nd day of February and the 1st day of March, 1898.

Between

George Hawkins,
Petitioner,

and

Alexander Lumsden,
Respondent.

The undersigned two of the Judges on the Rota for the trial of election petitions under the said Act do hereby certify :

1. That on Friday, the 23rd day of December, 1898, at Osgoode Hall, in the City of Toronto, we held a Court for the trial of and there tried the petition in respect of the above mentioned election.
2. That at the said trial we found and determined that the said Alexander Lumsden was duly elected and returned as member for the said electoral district, and we therefore dismissed the said petition.
3. We further certify and report that on the trial of the said petition no corrupt practices were proved before us to have been committed at the said election by or with the knowledge and consent of either of the candidates at the said election and that there is no reason to believe that corrupt practices extensively prevailed at the said election.
4. At the trial Counsel for the respondent did not ask for costs and the said petition was accordingly dismissed without costs.

Dated at Osgoode Hall, Toronto, this 19th day of January, 1899.

F. OSLER, J.

JAMES MACLENNAN, J.

To the Honourable the Speaker of the Legislative Assembly of Ontario.

IN THE COURT OF APPEAL FOR ONTARIO.

THE ONTARIO CONTROVERTED ELECTIONS ACT.

Election for the Electoral District of the City of Ottawa, holden on the 22nd day of February and the 1st day of March, 1898.

Between

Jacob Randall,
Petitioner,

and

Charles Berkely Powell,
Respondent.

The undersigned, two of the Judges on the Rota for the trial of election petitions under the said Act, do hereby certify.

1. That on Friday, the 23rd day of December, 1898, at Osgoode Hall, in the City of Toronto, we held a Court for the trial of and there tried the petition in respect of the above mentioned election.

2. That at the said trial we found and determined that the said Charles Berkely Powell was duly elected and returned as member for the said electoral district, and we therefore dismissed the said petition.

3. We further certify and report that on the trial of the said petition no corrupt practices were proved before us to have been committed at the said election by or with the knowledge and consent of either of the candidates at the said election, and that there is no reason to believe that corrupt practices extensively prevailed at the said election.

4. At the said trial counsel for the respondent did not ask for costs and the said petition was accordingly dismissed without costs.

Dated at Osgoode Hall, Toronto, this 19th day of January, 1899.

F. OSLER, J.
JAMES MACLENNAN, J.

To the Honourable the Speaker of the Legislative Assembly of Ontario.

IN THE COURT OF APPEAL FOR ONTARIO.

THE ONTARIO CONTROVERTED ELECTIONS ACT.

Election for the Electoral District of North Middlesex holden on the 22nd day of February and the 1st day of March, 1898.

Between

James Lusk,

Petitioner

and

William Taylor,

Respondent.

The undersigned two of the Judges on the Rota for the trial of Election Petitions under the said Act do hereby certify :

1. That on Monday the 14th day of November, 1898, in the City of Toronto we held a Court for the trial of and there tried the Petition in respect of the above mentioned Election.
2. That at the said trial we found and determined that the said William H. Taylor was duly elected and returned as Member for the said Electoral District, and we therefore dismissed the said Petition.
3. We further certify and Report that on the trial of the said Petition no corrupt practices were proved before us to have been committed at the said Election by or with the knowledge and consent of either of the candidates at the said Election.
4. Charges of corrupt practices are made in the said Petition, but no evidence thereof was offered in respect of the same.
5. Particulars of corrupt practices intended to be relied on at the trial were filed in the proper office together with an affidavit of the Petitioner, in which he stated he had reason to believe that the statements in the said particulars were true both in substance and in fact.
6. The said particulars contain upwards of 99 charges of various corrupt practices.
7. At the said trial on the 14th day of November, Counsel for the Petitioner said he had no evidence to offer ; the Respondent did not ask for costs, and the said Petition was accordingly dismissed without costs.
8. We are unable to say whether there is or is not reason to believe that corrupt practices extensively prevailed at the election to which the Petition relates.
9. No application has been made during the progress of the cause to withdraw the said Petition.

Dated at Osgoode Hall this 19th day of January, 1899.

F. OSLER, J.

THOMAS FERGUSON, J.

To The Honourable The Speaker of the Legislative Assembly of Ontario.

IN THE COURT OF APPEAL FOR ONTARIO.

THE ONTARIO CONTROVERTED ELECTIONS ACT.

Election for the Electoral District of West Middlesex, holden on the 22nd day of February and the 1st day of March, 1898 :

Between

John McKay and Robert William Huston,

Petitioners.

and

George W. Ross,

Respondent.

The undersigned, two of the Judges on the Rota for the trial of Election petitions, under the said Act, do hereby certify :

1. That on Monday the 14th day of November, 1898, at Osgoode Hall in the City of Toronto, we held a Court for the trial of and there tried the petition in respect to the above mentioned election.

2. That at the said trial we found and determined that the said George W. Ross was duly elected and returned as member for the said electoral district and we therefore dismissed the said petition.

3. We further certify and report that on the trial of the said petition no corrupt practices were proved before us to have been committed at the said election by or with the knowledge and consent of either of the candidates at the said election, and that there is no reason to believe that corrupt practices extensively prevailed at the said election.

4. At the said trial counsel for the respondent did not ask for costs and the said petition was accordingly dismissed without costs.

Dated at Osgoode Hall, Toronto, this 19th day of January, 1899.

F. OSLER, J.

THOMAS FERGUSON, J.

To The Honourable the Speaker of the Legislative Assembly of Ontario

IN THE COURT OF APPEAL FOR ONTARIO.

THE ONTARIO CONTROVERTED ELECTIONS ACT.

Election for the Electoral District of North Grey, holden on the 22nd day of February and the 1st day of March, 1898.

Between

John Stuart McLellan,

Petitioner,

and

George M. Boyd,

Respondent.

The undersigned, two of the Judges on the Rota for the trial of Election Petitions, under the said Act, do hereby certify:

1. That on Friday the 23rd day of December, 1898, at Osgood Hall in the City of Toronto, we held a Court for the trial of and there tried the petition in respect of the above-mentioned election.

2. That at the said trial we found and determined that the said George M. Boyd was duly elected and returned as member for the said electoral district and we therefore dismissed the said petition.

3. We further certify and report that on the trial of the said petition no corrupt practices were proved before us to have been committed at the said election by or with the knowledge and consent of either of the candidates at the said election and that there is no reason to believe that corrupt practices extensively prevailed at the said election.

4. At the said trial counsel for the respondent did not ask for costs and the said petition was accordingly dismissed without costs.

Dated at Osgoode Hall, Toronto, this 19th day of January, 1899.

F. O. OSLER, J.
JAMES MACLENNAN, J.

To the Honourable the Speaker of the Legislative Assembly.

IN THE COURT OF APPEAL FOR ONTARIO.

THE ONTARIO CONTROVERTED ELECTIONS ACT.

Election for the Electoral District of the East Riding of the County of Northumberland, holden on the 22nd day of February, 1898, and the 1st day of March, 1898.

Province of Ontario,

To-wit :

Between

Elisha Wm. Tuttle,

Petitioner,

and

John H. Douglas,

Respondent.

We, the undersigned, two of the Judges on the Rota assigned to try the petition of the above named petitioner, Elisha Wm. Tuttle, against the election and return of the above named respondent, John H. Douglas, to serve as a member of the Legislative Assembly of Ontario for the above named Riding, in which petitions there were allegations of corrupt practices, hereby certify as follows : That on the 29th and 31st days of October and the 1st, 2nd and 3rd days of November, 1898, we held a Court for the trial of and tried the said petition, and after hearing the evidence adduced, the tendency of which, or a part of which, was to disclose corrupt practices by the respondent or his alleged agents : The respondent and his counsel in Court admitted that enough corrupt practices by agents could be proved to void the election and disentitle the respondent to the benefit of Section 172 of the Elections Act.

The petitioner offered no further evidence, and we therefore report that the respondent was not duly elected and returned at the said election, and that the said election is void by reason of corrupt practices by agents of the respondent.

We further report that we have not found that any corrupt practice was proved to have been committed by or with the knowledge and consent of any candidate at such election.

We further report that the undernamed persons were each proved guilty of having committed corrupt practices :

Charles Crandell, John Reive, Frank Calberry, W. W. Brown, Edward Janeway.

We further certify that from the evidence adduced at the trial there is reason to believe that corrupt practices extensively prevailed at the said election.

Dated at Osgoode Hall, the 18th day of November, A. D. 1898.

THOMAS FERGUSON, J.

R. M. MEREDITH, J.

To the Honourable the Speaker of the Legislative Assembly of Ontario.

IN THE COURT OF APPEAL FOR ONTARIO.

THE ONTARIO CONTROVERTED ELECTIONS ACT.

Election of a Member for the Electoral District of the West Riding of the County of Elgin holden on the 22nd day of February and 1st day March, A.D. 1898.

Between

William E. Howarth,

Petitioner

and

Finley G. Macdiarmid,

Respondent.

And by way of Cross Petition relating to the same Election

Between

John Crawford,

Petitioner,

and

Donald Macnish,

Respondent.

The undersigned two of the Judges on the Rota for the trial of Election Petitions under the said Act do hereby certify :

1. That on the first day of December, 1898, at the City of St. Thomas, in the County of Elgin, we held a Court for the trial of and there tried the Election Petition and Cross Petition between the above named parties respecting the said Election.
2. That at the said trial it appeared that the Respondent had been returned by a majority of one over Donald Macnish who was the only other candidate at the said election.
3. By the said Petition and Cross Petition many of the votes which had been given for the said Respondent and for the the said Macnish were objected to on various grounds.
4. One vote proved to have been given for the said Respondent was so given by one John Taylor who was not the person of the same name who was on the Revised Voters' List at the said Election, but another and different person, and who was not entitled to vote at the said Election, and the said vote was accordingly struck off and deducted from the number of votes which appeared to have been given for the said Respondent.
5. Neither the Petitioner nor the Respondent offered any further evidence in the matter of the said Petition or of the Cross Petition, and the number of votes given for each of the candidates thereupon appeared to be equal.
6. We therefore determined that neither of the candidates was duly returned or elected, and that the said election was and is void.

7. We further Certify and Report that corrupt practices are charged in the said Petition and Cross Petition and that particulars of the same were duly vertified by affidavits. No evidence was given by either party in respect of the alleged corrupt practices.

8. No corrupt practices were proved before us to have been committed by or with the knowledge and consent of either of the candidates at the said Election.

9. Neither of the said parties asked for the costs of the proceedings.

10. We therefore avoided the said Election and dismissed the said Cross Petition without costs to either party.

11. We are unable to say whether there is or is not reason to believe that corrupt practices extensively prevailed at the Election to which the said Petition and Cross Petition relates.

Dated this 10th day of December, 1898.

F. OSLER, J.A.,
HUGH MACMAHON,
Judge on Rota.

To the Honourable the Speaker of the Legislative Assembly of Ontario.

Ordered, That the foregoing Certificates and Reports be entered on the Journals of this House.

Mr. Speaker also informed the House that he had issued his Warrants to the Clerk for new Writs for the Election of a Member to serve in the present Legislature for the following Electoral Districts :

The South Riding of Ontario,
The Electoral District of Lennox,
The Electoral District of Halton,
The Electoral District of Nipissing,
The East Riding of Northumberland, and
The West Riding of Elgin.

Mr. Speaker also informed the House, That the Clerk had laid on the Table the following Certificates :

PROVINCE OF ONTARIO.

THIS IS TO CERTIFY that, in virtue of a Writ of Election, dated the thirteenth day of October, 1898, issued by His Honour, the Lieutenant-Governor, and addressed to John I. Paxton, Esquire, Returning Officer for the Electoral District of the South Riding of the County of Ontario, for the election of a Member to represent the said Electoral District of the South Riding of the County of Ontario in the Legislative Assembly of this Province; in the room of Charles Calder whose election has been declared to be void, the Honourable John Dryden has been returned as duly elected, as appears by the Return to the said Writ of Election, dated the fifteenth day of November, 1898, which is now lodged of record in my office.

CHARLES CLARKE,
Clerk, L.A.

Toronto, 1st February, 1899.

PROVINCE OF ONTARIO.

THIS IS TO CERTIFY that, in virtue of a Writ of Election, dated the first day of November, 1898, issued by His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, and addressed to Stephen Gibson, Esquire, Returning Officer for the Electoral District of Lennox, for the election of a Member to represent the said Electoral District of the North Riding of the County of Lennox, in the room of Bowen Ebenezer Aylsworth, whose election has been declared to be void, the said Bowen Ebenezer Aylsworth has been returned as duly elected, as appears by the Return to the said Writ of Election, dated the seventh day of December, 1898, which is now lodged of record in my office.

CHARLES CLARKE,
Clerk, L.A.

Toronto, 1st February, 1899.

PROVINCE OF ONTARIO.

THIS IS TO CERTIFY that in Virtue of a Writ of Election, dated the first day of November, 1898, issued by His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, and addressed to M. Clements, Esquire, Returning Officer for the Electoral District of Halton, for the election of a Member to represent the said Electoral District of Halton, in the Legislative Assembly of this Province, in the room of John Roaf Barber, whose election has been declared to be void, the said John Roaf Barber has been returned as duly elected accordingly, as appears by the Return to the said Writ of Rlection, dated the sixteenth day of December, 1898, which is now lodged of record in my office.

CHARLES CLARKE,
Clerk, L. A.

Toronto, 1st February, 1899.

PROVINCE OF ONTARIO.

THIS IS TO CERTIFY that in virtue of a Writ of Election, dated the second day of December, 1898, issued by His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor, and addressed to H. C. Varin, Esquire, Returning Officer for the Electoral District of Nipissing, for the election of a Member to represent the said Electoral District of Nipissing in the Legislative Assembly of this Province, in the room of John Loughrin, whose election has been declared to be void, the said John Loughrin has been returned as duly elected, as appears by the Return to the said Writ of Election, dated the sixth day of January, 1899, which is now lodged of record in my office.

CHARLES CLARKE,
Clerk, L. A.

Toronto, 1st February, 1899.

PROVINCE OF ONTARIO.

THIS IS TO CERTIFY that, in virtue of a Writ of Election, dated the twenty-fifth day of November, 1898, issued by His Honour, the Lieutenant-Governor, and addressed to Albert Ephraim Mallory, Esquire, Returning Officer for the Electoral District of the East Riding of the County of Northumberland, for the election of a Member to represent the said Electoral District of the East Riding of the County of Northumberland in the Legislative Assembly of this Province, in the room of John H. Douglas, whose election has been declared to be void, the said John H. Douglas has been returned as duly elected, as appears by the Return to the said Writ of Election, dated the twenty-first day of December, 1898, which is now lodged of record in my office.

CHARLES CLARKE,
Clerk, L. A.

Toronto, 1st February, 1899.

PROVINCE OF ONTARIO.

THIS IS TO CERTIFY that in Virtue of a Writ of Election, dated this twentieth day of December, 1898, issued by His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, and addressed to Dugald Brown, Esquire, Returning Officer for the Electoral District of the West Riding of the County of Elgin, for the election of a Member to represent the said Electoral District of the West Riding of the County of Elgin, in the Room of Finlay G. Macdiarmid, whose election has been declared to be void, Donald Macnish, Esquire, has been returned as duly elected, as appears by the Return to the said Writ of Election, dated the nineteenth day of January, 1899, which is now lodged of record in my office.

CHARLES CLARKE,
Clerk, L. A.

Toronto, 1st February, 1899.

Mr. Speaker also informed the House that he had received from the Registrar of the Court of Appeal his certificate in the matter of the election of a member for the following Electoral District :

The South Riding of the County of Perth.

The said certificate was then read by the Clerk at the table as follows :

IN THE COURT OF APPEAL FOR ONTARIO.

THE ONTARIO CONTROVERTED ELECTIONS ACT.

Election of a member for the Electoral District of the South Riding of the County of Perth, holden on the 22nd day of February and the 1st day of March, 1898.

Between

Charles Schoultz,
Petitioner,
and

William Caven Moscrip,
Respondent.

And by way of cross petition between

Frank Morris,
Petitioner,
and

Nelson Monteith,
Respondent.

I, James Strachan Cartwright, Registrar of the Court of Appeal for the Province of Ontario, do hereby certify :

1. That the Honourable the Chancellor of Ontario and the Honourable Mr. Justice Meredith on the 19th day of January, 1899, certified to this court that on the 14th day of October and on the 11th and 12th and 14th days of November, 1898, at the City of Stratford, in the County of Perth, they held a court for the trial of and there tried the petition and cross petition between the parties respecting the above mentioned election.

2. That at the said trial they found and determined that the election of the respondent, William Caven Moscrip, was void by reason of non-compliance with the directions contained in the Ontario Elections Act as to the taking of the poll in respect of the printing of certain ballot papers and delivery of them to voters at said election, which non-compliance might have affected and in their opinion did affect the result of the election.

3. Having avoided the said election without costs to the petitioner the said trial Judges further certified that the cross petition was not pressed, and they dismissed the cross petition without costs.

4. They further certified and reported that no corrupt practices were proved before them to have been committed by or with the knowledge and consent of any of the candidates at the said election.

5. That in so far as the charges made in the petition and cross petition were entered upon and proved, there was no reason to believe that corrupt practices extensively prevailed at the said election.

6. They further certified and reported that the following persons were proved at the said trial to have been guilty of corrupt practices :—

William Irving, William Tobin, Richard Burns, Frank Lyons, Edward O'Neill, R. H. Perrin, Patrick Graham, and John Graham.

7. And I do further certify that an appeal was taken to this Court on behalf of the above named petitioner Charles Schoultz from the judgment of the said trial Judges on the ground that Nelson Monteith, one of the candidates at the said election had received a majority of the votes cast at the said election and that he should have been returned as duly elected.

8. And I further certify that the said appeal came on for hearing on the 25th and 26th days of January, 1899, when the said determination of the said trial Judges was affirmed and the said appeal was dismissed with costs.

Dated at Toronto, this 27th day of January, 1899.

JAMES S. CARTWRIGHT,

Registrar of the Court of Appeal.

To The Honorable, The Speaker of the Legislative Assembly of Ontario.

Ordered, that the foregoing Certificate be entered on the Journals of this House.

The Honourable John Dryden, Member for the South Riding of Ontario ; The Honourable James Thompson Garrow, Member for the West Riding of Huron ; Bowen Ebenezer Aylsworth, Esquire, Member for the Electoral District of Lennox ; John Roaf Barber, Esquire, Member for the Electoral District of Halton ; John H. Douglas, Esquire, Member for the East Riding of Northumberland ; John Loughrin, Esquire, Member for the Electoral District of Nipissing ; William John Allen, Esquire, Member for the North Riding of Hastings, and Donald Macnish, Esquire, Member for the West Riding of Elgin, having taken the Oaths and signed the Roll, took their seats.

The House was then adjourned during pleasure.

And after some time the House was resumed.

His Honour the Honourable Sir Oliver Mowat, G.C.M.G., Lieutenant-Governor, then entered the House, and being seated in the chair on the Throne, was pleased to open the Session by the following gracious Speech to the House :—

Mr. Speaker and Gentlemen of the Legislative Assembly :

I have much pleasure in again meeting you as representatives of the Province in Parliament assembled.

After the adjournment of the Legislative Assembly in August last, it was found to be necessary that the Assembly should be prorogued in order that the by-elections might be proceeded with and thus effect given to the intention of the Legislature. I, therefore, on the 12th day of October, upon the advice of my Ministers, issued my proclamation proroguing the Assembly.

You have doubtless learned with satisfaction that since you last met Her Majesty has been pleased to appoint the Earl of Minto Governor-General of Canada, as successor to the Earl of Aberdeen, on his resignation a few months before his full term of office had expired. I am confident the people of Canada will find in the new Governor-General a constitutional ruler who will represent Her Majesty with ability and dignity in all the duties that pertain to his high office.

Lord Aberdeen's departure from Canada was a source of sincere regret to the people of this Province. By his deep interest in every matter affecting the prosperity and development of Canada, and by his wise and statesmanlike administration of public affairs, he strengthened the attachment of Canadians to the Empire, and to the principles of constitutional government.

The Countess of Aberdeen, too, especially endeared herself to the Canadian people by the interest which she constantly exhibited in their social well-being and in everything which affected the prosperity of Canada.

The decision of the Court of Appeal upon the questions submitted to that Court under the Act of last session, confirming the right of poll constables and others, when otherwise qualified, to vote at Provincial elections, is doubtless satisfactory to you all.

The legislation of last year which provided that all pine logs cut on the Crown domain after the termination of the then existing timber licenses should be sawn in Canada, has been made effective by inserting the manufacturing conditions in all renewals of licenses for the current year. In this connection I am pleased to be able to state that the cut of logs for export by American limit holders for the last license year did not appreciably exceed that of former years. It is anticipated that by reason of the legislation referred to there will be a sensible reduction in the revenue to be derived during the current year from timber sources. It will, therefore, be necessary to make provision by which any probable deficiency in the revenue may be otherwise made up. Measures to that end will be submitted for your consideration.

It will be satisfactory to you to learn that the mining industry of the Province continues to improve, and that it is giving constantly increased employment to both capital and labor.

You will be gratified to learn that since your last session the Province has assumed the administration of the Provincial Fisheries. A Fishery Branch has been established, departmental officials have been appointed, and the outside service is being organized.

The important rights and interests which are held by the Judicial Committee of the Privy Council to be vested in the Province relate to a Provincial asset which is of great value, which is to be husbanded and preserved as an important source of food supply, and is confidently expected to increase the annual revenue of the Province. A Bill embodying some needed improvements in the law may be submitted for your consideration and approval.

You will be pleased to know that satisfactory progress has been made in enforcing the provisions of the Act to prevent the spread of the San Jose scale, passed a year ago. A further measure upon the same subject will be submitted for your approval.

Experience has shown that the Election Laws may be further improved, and a Bill for that purpose will be submitted to you.

Among the other measures to be submitted for your consideration will be a Bill for amending the School Laws; a Bill to authorize the Parliament of Canada to pass an Act confirming the survey of the boundary between the Provinces of Ontario and Manitoba, made by commissioners appointed for that purpose; and a Bill to improve "The Workman's Compensation for Injuries Act."

Upon application of the Lord's Day Alliance, it has been arranged to submit to the Courts certain questions respecting the interpretation of the Lord's Day Act. Details of the case to be so submitted are still under consideration, and as soon as settled, an Order in Council will be passed for the submission under the Statute.

The public accounts and the reports of the various departments of the public service will be submitted to you.

The estimates for the current year have been prepared with a view to economy and efficiency, and will, at an early day, be laid before you.

I feel assured that you will give your earnest consideration to the subjects which I have mentioned, and to such other matters as may appear to you to be for the public good.

His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor was then leased to retire.

Mr. Speaker reported, That, to prevent mistakes, he had obtained a copy of His Honour's Speech, which he read.

On motion of the Attorney-General, seconded by Mr. Ross, a Bill was introduced intituled "An Act to provide for the Administration of Oaths of Office to persons appointed as Justices of the Peace," and the same was read the first time.

On motion of the Attorney-General, seconded by Mr. Ross,

Ordered, That the Speech of His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, to this House, be taken into consideration To-morrow.

On motion of the Attorney-General, seconded by Mr. Ross,

Resolved, That Select Standing Committees of this House, for the present Session be appointed for the following purposes ;—1. On Privileges and Elections ; 2. On Railways

3. On Miscellaneous Private Bills; 4. On Standing Orders; 5. On Public Accounts; 6. On Printing; 7. On Municipal Law; 8. On Legal Bills; which said Committees shall severally be empowered to examine and inquire into all such matters and things as shall be referred to them by the House, and to report from time to time their observations and opinions thereon, with power to send for persons, papers and records.

Mr. Speaker informed the House, That the Clerk had laid upon the table:

Return from the Records since the General Election to the Legislative Assembly in 1898, shewing:—1. The number of Votes polled for each Candidate in each Electoral District in which there was a contest; 2. The majority whereby each successful Candidate was returned; 3. The total number of Votes polled in each District; 4. The number of Votes remaining unpolled; 5. The number of names on the Voters' List in each District; 6. The population of each District as shown by the last Census. (*Sessional Papers No. 1.*)

The House then adjourned at 4 p.m.

Thursday, 2nd February, 1899.

3 o'CLOCK P.M.

PRAYERS.

Mr. Speaker communicated to the House a Report from the Librarian of the Legislative Assembly on the state of the Library. (*Sessional Papers, No. 51.*)

The following Petitions were severally brought up and laid upon the Table:—

By Mr. Dryden, the Petition of the Town Council of Oshawa.

By Mr. Harty, the Petition of the City Council of Kingston.

By Mr. Garrow, two Petitions of the Town Council of Goderich; also, the Petition of the Town Council of Seaforth.

By Mr. Russell, the Petition of the City Council of Belleville.

By Mr. Guibord, the Petition of the Township Council of Caledonia.

By Mr. Lumsden, the Petition of the Canadian Electric and Water Power Company, Limited.

By Mr. Beatty (Leeds), the Petition of the Town Council of Gananoque.

By Mr. Crawford, the Petition of the Trustees of Knox Church, Toronto.

By Mr. Allen, the Petition of the Township Council of Madoc ; also, the Petition of the Village Council of Madoc.

By Mr. Loughrin, the Petition of the Town Council of Mattawa.

By Mr. Marter, the Petition of Joseph J. Follett and others of Toronto.

By Mr. Richardson, the Petition of the Town Council of Newmarket ; also, the Petition of the County Council of York.

By Mr. Connée, the Petition of the Town Council of Port Arthur.

By Mr. Gallagher, the Petition of the Township Council of Portland.

By Mr. Joynt, the Petition of the Town Council of Prescott.

By Mr. Pardee, two Petitions of the Town Council of Sarnia.

By Mr. Fox, the Petition of William Russell the younger, and others of Pembroke.

By Mr. Bowman, the Petition of the Village Council of Southampton ; also, the Petition of the Village Council of Tara.

By Mr. Foy, the Petition of the Church of the Holy Trinity, Toronto

By Mr. German, the Petition of the Town Council of Welland.

By Mr. Hill, the Petition of Jacob Zielinski of Toronto.

By Mr. Farwell, the Petition of Arthur S. Burrows and others of Sault Ste. Marie.

By Mr. Wardell, the Petition of the Town Council of Dundas ; also, two Petitions of the County Council of Wentworth.

By Mr. Carpenter, the Petition of the Town Council of Simcoe ; also, two Petitions of the County Council of Norfolk.

By Mr. Matheson, three Petitions of the County Council of Lanark.

By Mr. Kidd, three Petitions of the County Council of Carleton.

By Mr. Caldwell, the Petition of the County Council of Lanark.

The Order of the Day for the consideration of the Speech of His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor at the opening of the Session, having been read,

Mr. Russell moved, seconded by Mr. Pardee,

That an humble Address be presented to His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor of Ontario, as follows :—

To the Honourable Sir Oliver Mowat, G.C.M.G., Lieutenant-Governor of the Province of Ontario.

We, Her Majesty's most dutiful and loyal subjects, the Legislative Assembly of the Province of Ontario, now assembled, beg leave to thank Your Honour for the gracious Speech which Your Honour has addressed to us.

And the Motion, having been put, was carried, and it was

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor by such members of the House as are members of His Honour's Honourable Council.

On motion of Mr. Harcourt, seconded by Mr. Harty,

Resolved, That this House will To-morrow resolve itself into the Committee of Supply.

Resolved, That this House will To-morrow resolve itself into the Committee of Ways and Means.

The House then adjourned at 9.45 p.m.

Friday, 3rd February, 1899.

3 o'clock P.M.

PRAYERS.

The following Petitions were severally brought up and laid upon the Table :—

By Mr. Garrow, the Petition of the Town Council of Seaforth ; also, the Petition of the Village Council of Blyth.

By Mr. Matheson, the Petition of the Town Council of Smiths Falls ; also, the Petition of the Smiths Falls, Rideau and Southern Railway Company.

By Mr. Aylsworth, the Petition of the Township Council of North Fredericksburg.

By Mr. Jamieson, the Petition of the Township Council of Egremont.

By Mr. Wardell, two Petitions of the County Council of Wentworth.

The House then adjourned at 3.20 p.m.

Monday, 6th February, 1899.

3 o'clock P.M.

PRAYERS.

The following Petitions were severally brought up and laid upon the Table :—

By Mr. Farwell, the Petition of Harry William Evenden and others of the Island of Campement D'Ours.

By Mr. Dickenson, two Petitions of the County Council of Wentworth.

By Mr. Fallis, the Petition of the Township Council of Caven.

By Mr. Mutrie, two Petitions of the County Council of Wellington.

The following Petitions were read and received :—

Of the City Council of Belleville, praying that an Act may pass to ratify and confirm By-law No. 913, granting a bonus to the Canadian Brussels Carpet Company.

Of Arthur Smith Burrows, and others of Sault Ste. Marie, praying that an Act may pass to incorporate the Bruce Mines and Algoma Railway Company.

Of the Township Council of Caledonia, praying that an Act may pass to legalize and confirm By-law No. 255 in aid of drainage works.

Of the Town Council of Dundas, praying that an Act may pass to legalize and confirm By-law No. 462, granting a bonus to John Bertram & Sons.

Of the Canadian Electric and Water Power Company, Limited, praying that an Act may pass to confirm an agreement for the construction of water works in the Town of Perth.

Of the Town Council of Gananoque, praying that an Act may pass to legalize and confirm By-law No. 361 in aid of manufactures.

Of the Town Council of Goderich, praying that an Act may pass authorizing the issue of debentures in aid of water and electric light works and plant.

Of the Town Council of Goderich, praying that an Act may pass authorizing the guarantee of the bonds or debentures of the Goderich Elevator and Transit Company, Limited.

Of the Trustees of Knox Church, Toronto, praying that an Act may pass authorizing them to sell and dispose of the present site of the Church and purchase a new one.

Of the Township Council of Madoc, praying that an Act may pass authorizing the issue of debentures for the redemption and retiring of certain debentures issued under By-law No. 81.

Of the Village Council of Madoc, praying that an Act may pass to consolidate their debenture debt.

Of the Town Council of Mattawa, praying that an Act may pass to consolidate their debenture debt.

Of Joseph J. Follett and others of Toronto, praying that an Act may pass to incorporate the Mutuality Life Insurance Company.

Of the Town Council of Newmarket, praying that an Act may pass to legalize and confirm By-law No. 234, in aid of the erection of certain buildings.

Of the Town Council of Oshawa, praying that an Act may pass to legalize and confirm By-law No. 460, *in re* the construction of water works.

Of the Town Council of Port Arthur, praying that an Act may pass to legalize and confirm By-law No. 510, and for other purposes.

Of the Township Council of Portland, praying that an Act may pass to amend 29 Vict. c. 84, for the improvement of the Napanee River, and for other purposes.

Of the Town Council of Prescott, praying that an Act may pass to legalize and confirm By-law No. 467, *in re* construction of water works and sewers.

Of the Town Council of Sarnia, praying that an Act may pass to legalize and confirm By-laws Nos. 488 and 489, fixing the assessment of certain companies.

Of the Town Council of Sarnia, praying that an Act may pass authorizing the consolidation of the debenture debt of the Town.

Of the Town Council of Seaforth, praying that an Act may pass authorizing the submission of a By-law empowering the borrowing of \$10,000 in aid of a woollen mill.

Of the Town Council of Simcoe, praying that an Act may pass to consolidate their debt.

Of the Village Council of Southampton, praying that an Act may pass to legalize and confirm By-law No. 304 in aid of the Southampton Manufacturing Company.

Of the Village Council of Tara, praying that an Act may pass to legalize and confirm By-law No. 152, in aid of certain manufactures.

Of William Russell the younger, and others of Pembroke, praying that an Act may pass to incorporate the Toronto, Lindsay and Pembroke Railway Company.

Of the Church of the Holy Trinity, of Toronto, praying that an Act may pass providing for the setting aside of one tenth, or other proportionate part, of the income of the endowment of the Church and applying the same to the maintenance of the fabric of the Church and school house.

Of the Town Council of Welland, praying that an Act may pass to confirm a certain By-law *in re* sewer construction.

Of the County Council of York, praying that an Act may pass to legalize and confirm By-law No. 740.

Of Jacob Zielinski of Toronto, praying that an Act may pass to enable him to practice as a physician of the eclectic system of medicine.

Of the County Council of Carleton, praying certain amendments to the Municipal Act, respecting the audit of accounts.

Of the County Council of Wentworth, praying certain amendments to the Assessment Act respecting equalization of assessment.

Of the County Council of Wentworth ; also, of the County Council of Norfolk ; also, of the County Council of Lanark, severally praying for the passing of a uniform law to regulate the use of bicycles on the public highways.

Of the County Council of Carleton, praying legislation empowering County Councils to appoint their own constables.

Of the City Council of Kingston, praying certain amendments to the law respecting the cost of Coroners Inquests in cases where the injuries are received in an outside municipality.

Of the County Council of Norfolk ; also, of the County Council of Lanark, severally praying certain amendments to the Jurors Act respecting the expense of the selection of jurors.

Of the County Council of Lanark (two petitions), praying certain amendments to the Municipal Act respecting the destruction of foxes and the bounty paid therefor.

Of the County Council of Carleton, praying certain amendments to the Municipal Act, respecting the proportion of outlay for the construction of public buildings between cities and adjoining counties.

The following Bills were severally introduced and read the first time :—

Bill (No. 91), intituled "An Act to amend the Workman's Compensation for Injuries Act."—Mr. Crawford.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Wednesday next.

Bill (No. 92), intituled "An Act respecting the moneys of Infants and others, in Court."—The Attorney-General.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Wednesday next.

The House then adjourned at 3.50 p.m.

Tuesday, 7th February, 1899.

3 o'CLOCK P.M.

PRAYERS.

The following Petitions were severally brought up and laid upon the Table :—

By Mr. Hill, the Petition of George Macgregor Gardner of Toronto.

By Mr. Russell, the Petition of the Township Council of Tyendinaga ; also, the Petition of W. T. Jennings and others of Ontario.

By Mr. Burt, the Petition of the Brantford Gas Company.

By Mr. Conmee, the Petition of Edward Spencer Jenison of Chicago, U.S.A.

By Mr. Carscallen, the Petition of the Hamilton Young Womens' Christian Association and Technical Institute.

By Mr. Pardee, the Petition of Francis Joseph Carman and others of Bothwell.

By Mr. Brown, the Petition of the City Council of Stratford.

By Mr. Bowman, the Petition of the County Council of Bruce.

By Mr. Kribs, four Petitions of the County Council of Waterloo.

By Mr. Barber, two Petitions of the County Council of Halton.

By Mr. Caldwell, two Petitions of the County Council of Lanark.

By Mr. White, two Petitions of the County Council of Renfrew.

The following Petitions were read and received :—

Of the Village Council of Blyth, praying that an Act may pass to consolidate their debenture debt.

Of the Town Council of Seaforth, praying that an Act may pass to authorize the submission of a By-law empowering the Corporation to borrow \$37,000 in aid of certain works.

Of the Smith's Falls, Rideau and Southern Railway Company, praying that an Act may pass to amend their Act of incorporation.

Of the Town Council of Smith's Falls, praying that an Act may pass to consolidate their debenture debt and for other purposes.

Of the County Council of Wentworth, praying certain amendments to the Assessment Act, respecting equalization of assessment.

Of the County Council of Wentworth, praying for the passage of a uniform law regulating the use of bicycles on the public highways.

Of the Township Council of Egremont, praying certain amendments to the Municipal Act so as to extend the Municipal Franchise to all male persons of the full age of twenty-one years.

Of the Township Council of North Fredericksburg, praying certain amendments to the Municipal Act, towards the establishment of free markets for farm produce.

The following Bills were severally introduced and read the first time :—

Bill (No. 93), intituled "An Act to amend the County Councils Act."—Mr. Smith.
Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Thursday next.

Bill (No. 94), intituled "An Act respecting Voter's Lists in the Unorganized Territory."—The Attorney-General.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Thursday next.

Bill (No. 95), intituled "An Act to amend the Railway Act of Ontario."—The Attorney-General.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Thursday next.

On motion of the Attorney-General, seconded by Mr. Ross.

Ordered, That a Special Committee of Twelve Members be appointed to prepare and report with all convenient speed, lists of Members to compose the Select Standing Committees ordered by this House, to be composed as follows: The Attorney General and Messieurs. Carpenter, Charlton, Davis, Foy, Garrow, McKee, Marter, Matheson, Misscampbell, Stratton and Whitney.

The House then adjourned at 3.30 p.m.

Wednesday, 8th February, 1899.

3 O'CLOCK P.M.

PRAYERS.

The following Petitions were severally brought up and laid upon the Table :—

By Mr. Davis, the Petition of the Township Council of King.

By Mr. Whitney, two Petitions of the County Council of the United Counties of Stormont, Dundas and Glengarry.

By Mr. Smith, the Petition of the Town Council of Brampton.

By Mr. Miscampbell, the Petition of the Town Council of Orillia.

By Mr. Caldwell, the Petition of the County Council of Lanark.

By Mr. Matheson, the Petition of the County Council of Lanark.

By Mr. Carpenter, two Petitions of the County Council of Norfolk.

By Mr. Dempsey, the Petition of the County Council of Prince Edward.

By Mr. McLaughlin, the Petition of the County Council of the United Counties of Stormont, Dundas and Glengarry.

By Mr. Fox, the Petition of the Town Council of Lindsay.

By Mr. Kidd, two Petitions of the County Council of Carleton.

By Mr. Pattullo, the Petition of the Norfolk Farmers' Institute ; also, the Petition of J. L. Brown and others of Plattsburg.

By Mr. McDonald, the Petition of the County Council of the United Counties of Stormont, Dundas and Glengarry.

By Mr. Auld, the Petition of the Town Council of Leamington.

The following Petitions were read and received :—

Of Harry William Evenden and others of the Island of Campement D'Ours, praying that an Act may pass to incorporate the Worthington and Onaping Railway Company.

Of the County Council of Wentworth, praying certain amendments to the Assessment Act, respecting equalization of assessment.

Of the County Council of Wellington ; also, of the County Council of Wentworth, severally praying for the passing of a uniform law regulating the use of bicycles on the Public Highways.

Of the Township Council of Caven, praying certain amendments to the Municipal Act, respecting the establishment of free markets for farm produce.

Of the County Council of Wellington, praying certain amendments to the Juror's Act, respecting the cost of selection of jurors.

The following Bills were severally introduced and read the first time :—

Bill (No. 96), intituled "An Act to amend the Municipal Act."—Mr. Hoyle.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Friday next.

Bill (No. 97), intituled "An Act to amend the Election Act."—Mr. Hoyle.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Friday next.

Bill (No. 98), intituled "An Act to amend the Registry Act."—Mr. Barr.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Friday next.

Bill (No. 99, intituled "An Act to amend the Prison and Asylums Inspection Act."—Mr. Davis.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Friday next.

Bill (No. 100), intituled "An Act to amend the Municipal Act."—Mr. Stratton.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Friday next.

The Attorney-General delivered to Mr. Speaker a Message from the Lieutenant-Governor, signed by himself; and the said Message was read by Mr. Speaker, and is as follows :—

O. MOWAT.

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits Estimates of certain sums required for the service of the Province for the year 1899, and to complete the service of the year 1898, and recommends them to the Legislative Assembly.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,

Toronto, 8th February, 1899.

(Sessional Papers No. 4.)

Ordered, That the Message of the Lieutenant-Governor, together with the Estimates accompanying the same, be referred to the Committee of Supply.

On motion of the Attorney-General, seconded by Mr. Ross.

Resolved, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery to make out a new Writ for the election of a Member to serve in this present Legislature for the South Riding of the County of Perth in the room of William Caven Moscrip, whose election has been declared to be void.

Mr. Davis presented to the House by command of His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor :—

The Public Accounts of the Province for the year ending 31st December, 1898.
(Sessional Papers No. 3.)

On motion of Mr. Harcourt, seconded by Mr. Dryden.

Ordered, That the Public Accounts of the Province for the year 1898 be referred to the Committee on Public Accounts.

Mr. Davis presented to the House by command of His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor :—

Report upon the Ontario Institution for the Education of the Blind, Brantford. (*Sessional Papers No. 15.*)

Also—Report upon the Ontario Institution for the Education of the Deaf and Dumb, Belleville. (*Sessional Papers No. 16.*)

Also—Report of the Inspector of the House of Refuge, County of Waterloo. (*Sessional Papers No. 52.*)

Also—Copy of Order in Council respecting the payment of surplus Surrogate Court Fees to Judge Jamieson. (*Sessional Papers No. 53.*)

Also—Copies of Orders in Council commuting Surrogate Court Fees of Judges Hughes, Barron, Elliott, Doyle, Monck and Mosgrove. (*Sessional Papers No. 54.*)

Also—Statement as to the disposal of the Sessional and Revised Statutes of Ontario. (*Sessional Papers No. 55.*)

The House then adjourned at 3.45 p.m.

Thursday, 9th February, 1899.

3 O'CLOCK P.M.

PRAYERS.

The following Petitions were severally brought up and laid upon the Table :—

By Mr. Harcourt, the Petition of the Township Council of Moulton ; also, the Petition of the Township Council of Pelham.

By Mr. Charlton, the Petition of the Sault Ste. Marie and Hudson's Bay Railway Company.

By Mr. Richardson, the Petition of the Township Council of York.

By Mr. Pardee, the Petition of the Toronto General Trusts Company and the Trusts Corporation of Ontario.

By Mr. Guibord, the Petition of A. M. Stewart and others of Osgoode.

By Mr. Graham, the Petition of the Town Council of Brockville.

By Mr. Leys, the Petition of the City Council of London ; also, the Petition of W. F. Roome and others of London.

By Mr. Brown, the Petition of James Johnson and others of Perth.

By Mr. Burt, four Petitions of the County Council of Brant.

By Mr. Taylor, the Petition of J. Gunn and others of Middlesex.

By Mr. Blezard, the Petition of the County Council of Peterborough.

By Mr. Russell, three Petitions of the County Council of Hastings.

By Mr. Holmes, the Petition of John Dickenson and others of Glandford.

By Mr. Auld, the Petition of Charles Chamberlain and others of Essex.

The following Petitions were read and received :—

Of the Brantford Gas Company, praying that an Act may pass to extend their Charter and powers thereunder.

Of Francis Joseph Carman and others of Bothwell, praying that an Act may pass to incorporate the Carman Natural Gas Company of Ontario.

Of W. T. Jennings and others of Ontario, praying that an Act may pass to incorporate the Civil Engineers of Ontario.

Of George Macgregor Gardner of Toronto, praying that an Act may pass to authorize the Supreme Court of Judicature for Ontario to admit him to practise as a Solicitor therein.

Of the Hamilton Young Women's Christian Association and Technical Institute, praying that an Act may pass to incorporate them.

Of Edward Spencer Jenison of Chicago, U.S.A., praying that an Act may pass empowering him to conduct the waters of the Kaministiquia River from Ecarte Rapids to the Towns of Port Arthur and Fort William and intervening points.

Of the City Council of Stratford, praying that an Act may pass to legalize and confirm By-law No. 779, in aid of the Whyte Packing Company.

Of the County Council of Waterloo ; also, of the County Council of Halton, severally praying certain amendments to the law respecting the Audit of Municipal Accounts and the appointment of Auditors.

Of the County Council of Waterloo, praying for the passing of a uniform law regulating the use of bicycles on the Public Highway.

Of the County Council of Bruce ; also, of the County Council of Halton, severally praying certain amendments to the Criminal Law respecting change of venue.

Of the County Council of Lanark, praying for the restoration of the Primary Examination and the granting of Primary Certificates.

Of the County Council of Renfrew, praying certain amendments to the Election Act, respecting the custody of Voters Lists.

Of the County Council of Halton ; also, of the County Council of Renfrew ; also, of the County Council of Waterloo, severally praying certain amendments to the Jurors Act, respecting the cost of selection of jurors.

Of the County Council of Lanark, praying certain amendments to the Municipal Act, respecting the destruction of foxes and the bounty paid therefor.

Of the County Council of Waterloo ; also, of the Township Council of Tyendinaga, severally praying certain amendments to the Municipal Act, respecting the establishment of free markets for farm produce.

The Attorney-General, from the Special Committee appointed to prepare and report with all convenient speed, Lists of Members to compose the Select Standing Committees ordered by the House, presented the following list as their first Report, which was read as follows :

COMMITTEE ON STANDING ORDERS.—Messieurs Barr, Beatty (Leeds), Beatty (Parry Sound), Brower, Brown, Burt, Campbell, Carnegie, Carpenter, Charlton, Clarke, Davis, Dickenson, Farwell, Ferguson, Gallagher, German, Graham, Hodgens, Hoyle, Hyslop, Jessop, Kidd, Kribs, Little, Lucas, Loughrin, McKay, Matheson, Miscampbell, Mutrie, Powell, Pyne, Reid (Durham), Richardson, Russell, Smith, Stratton and Truax.—39.

The Quorum of said Committee to consist of seven members.

Resolved, That this House doth concur in the above Report.

The Order of the Day for the House to resolve itself into the Committee of Supply, having been read,

Mr. Harcourt moved,

That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair,

And a Debate having arisen,

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned until To-morrow.

The House then adjourned at 10 p.m.

Friday, 10th February, 1899.

PRAYERS.

3 o'CLOCK P.M.

The following Petitions were severally brought up and laid upon the Table :—

By Mr. Malcolm, the Petition of the Town Council of Kincardine.

By Mr. German, the Petition of the London Street Railway Company ; also, the Petition of the Township Council of Bertie ; also, six Petitions of the County Council of Welland ; also, the Petition of the Town Council of Niagara Falls ; also, the Petition of the Village Council of Niagara Falls ; also, the Petition of the Township Council of Stamford ; also, the Petition of the Village Council of Chippewa ; also, the Petition of the Village Council of Fort Erie ; also, the Petition of E. Morden and others of Welland

By Mr. Joynt, the Petition of the Village Council of Merrickville.

By Mr. Farwell, the Petition of Edward V. Douglas and others of Philadelphia, U.S.A.; also, the Petition of H. R. McDonald and others of Thessalon.

By Mr. Lumsden, the Petition of the City Council of Ottawa.

By Mr. Crawford, the Petition of the City Council of Toronto.

By Mr. Clarke, three Petitions of the County Council of the United Counties of Northumberland and Durham.

By Mr. Kribs, the Petition of the County Council of Waterloo.

By Mr. Pettypiece, the Petition of F. G. Johnson and others of Sarnia.

The following Petitions were read and received :—

Of the Town Council of Brampton, praying that an Act may pass to consolidate their debt.

Of the Town Council of Leamington, praying that an Act may pass to consolidate their debt.

Of the Town Council of Lindsay, praying that an Act may pass to legalize and confirm By-law No. 818, authorizing the loan of \$20,000.

Of the Town Council of Orillia, praying that an Act may pass enabling the Corporation to increase their debenture debt.

Of the County Council of Carleton, praying certain amendments to the Municipal Act, respecting the audit of accounts.

Of the County Council of the United Counties of Stormont, Dundas and Glengarry, praying for the passing of a uniform law regulating the use of Bicycles on the Public Highways.

Of the County Council of Carleton, praying that County Councils may be empowered to appoint their own Constables.

Of the County Council of Lanark (two petitions), praying certain amendments to the High Schools Act, respecting assessment for cost of maintenance.

Of the County Council of Norfolk, praying for the restoration of Primary Examinations and the granting of Primary Certificates.

Of the County Council of the United Counties of Stormont, Dundas and Glengarry ; also, of the County Council of Norfolk, severally praying certain amendments to the Election Act, respecting the custody of Voters Lists.

Of the Township Council of King ; also, of the Oxford Farmers Institute ; also, of the County Council of the United Counties of Stormont, Dundas and Glengarry, severally praying certain amendments to the Municipal Act, respecting the establishment of free markets for farm produce.

Of the County Council of Prince Edward ; also, of the County Council of the United Counties of Stormont, Dundas and Glengarry, severally praying certain amendments to the Jurors Act, respecting the expense of the selection of Jurors.

Mr. McKay from the Standing Committee on Standing Orders presented their First Report, which was read as follows and adopted :—

The Committee recommend that Rule No. 51 of this Honorable House be suspended in this, that the time for receiving Petitions for Private Bills be extended until and inclusive of Monday the 20th day of February instant.

Mr. McKay from the Standing Committee on Standing Orders presented their Second Report, which was read as follows and adopted :—

The Committee have carefully examined the following Petitions and find the Notices as published in each case sufficient.

Of the Village Council of Tara, praying that an Act may pass to legalize and confirm By-law No. 152 granting aid for the establishment of certain manufactures.

Of the Young Women's Christian Association and Technical Institute of Hamilton, praying that an Act may pass to incorporate them.

Of the Town Council of Mattawa, praying that an Act may pass to consolidate the debenture and floating debt of the Town.

Of Jacob Zielinski of Toronto, praying that an Act may pass to enable him to practise as a Physician of the Eclectic System of Medicine.

Of the Town Council of Welland, praying that an Act may pass to confirm a certain By-law *re* sewer construction.

Of the Church of the Holy Trinity of Toronto, praying that an Act may pass providing for the setting aside of one-tenth or other proportionate part of the income of the endowment of the Church and applying the same to the maintenance of the fabric of the Church and School House.

Of the Town Council of Dundas, praying that an Act may pass to legalize and confirm By-law No. 462, granting a bonus to John Bertram & Sons.

Of the City Council of Belleville, praying that an Act may pass to ratify and confirm By-law No. 913, granting a bonus to the Canadian Brussels Carpet Company, Limited.

Ordered, That the time for presenting Petitions for Private Bills be extended until and inclusive of Monday the Twentieth day of February instant.

The House then adjourned at 3.45 p.m.

Monday, 13th February, 1899.

3 o'CLOCK P.M.

PRAYERS.

The following Petitions were severally brought up and laid upon the Table :—

By Mr. Foy, the Petition of Mayflower Association, Knights of Labour, No. 6564, Toronto ; also, the Petition of the Trades and Labour Congress of Canada.

By Mr. Farwell, the Petition of Edward V. Douglas and others of Philadelphia, U.S.A.

By Mr. German, the Petition of Daniel F. Burk and others of Port Arthur.

By Mr. McDonald, the Petition of the Canadian Colored Cotton Mills Company, Limited.

By Mr. Guibord, the Petition of John Zimmerman and others of Tavistock.

By Mr. Jessop, the Petition of the Carpenters Union, No. 38; also, the Petition of the Trades and Labour Council, all of St. Catherines.

By Mr. Macnish, the Petition of the City Council of St. Thomas; also, the Petition of Duncan Smith and others of Fingal.

By Mr. Barr, the Petition of the County Council of Dufferin.

By Mr. Pyne, the Petition of the Honourable George A. Cox and others of Toronto.

The following Petitions were read and received:—

Of the Town Council of Brockville, praying that an Act may pass respecting their floating debt.

Of John Dickenson and others of Glanford, praying that an Act may pass to incorporate the Hamilton and Caledonia Railway Company.

Of the City Council of London, praying that an Act may pass to confirm a certain agreement with the Corporation of the County of Middlesex, respecting Victoria Hospital.

Of A. M. Stewart and others of Osgoode, praying that an Act may pass to amend the Act incorporating the Osgoode Cemetery.

Of the Sault Ste. Marie and Hudson's Bay Railway Company, praying that an Act may pass to extend the time for the commencement and completion of the road and for other purposes.

Of the Toronto General Trusts Company and the Trusts Corporation of Ontario, praying that an Act may pass to unite them as one Corporation; to re-cast the capital account of both, and for other purposes.

Of the Township Council of York, praying that an Act may pass authorizing the passing of certain By-laws, and for other purposes.

Of the County Council of Brant, praying certain amendments to the Municipal Act, respecting the Audit of Accounts and the appointment of auditors.

Of the County Council of Brant, praying for the restoration of Primary Examinations and the granting of Primary Certificates.

Of the County Council of Brant, praying certain amendments to the Election Act, respecting the custody of Voters Lists.

Of the County Council of Hastings, praying for the passing of a uniform law regulating the use of bicycles on the Public Highways.

Of the County Council of Hastings; also, of the County Council of Brant, severally praying certain amendments to the Jurors Act, respecting the expense of the selection of Jurors.

Of the County Council of Peterborough, praying certain amendments to the Municipal Act, respecting the powers of Township Councils over the erection of Poles and Wires on the Public Highways.

Of the County Council of Hastings ; also, of the Township Council of Moulton ; also, of the Township Council of Pelham, severally praying certain amendments to the Municipal Act, respecting the establishment of free markets for farm produce.

The following Bills were severally introduced and read the first time :—

Bill (No. 101) intituled "An Act to regulate the overcrowding of Street Railway Cars."—Mr. Crawford.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Wednesday next.

Bill (No. 102), intituled "An Act further to improve the San Jose Scale Act."—Mr. Dryden.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Wednesday next.

Bill (No. 103), intituled "An Act to amend the Assessment Act."—Mr. Wardell.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Wednesday next.

Bill (No. 104), intituled "An Act to amend the Municipal Act."—Mr. Wardell.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Wednesday next.

The House then adjourned at 3.45 p.m.

Tuesday, 14th February, 1899.

PRAYERS.

3 o'CLOCK P.M.

The Honourable John Morison Gibson, Member elect for the Electoral District of the East Riding of Wellington, having taken the Oaths and subscribed the Roll, took his seat.

The following Petitions were severally brought up and laid upon the Table :—

By Mr. Ross, the Petition of the Town Council of Niagara Falls ; also, the Petition of the Town Council of North Bay ; also, the Petition of the Town Council of Cornwall ; also, the Petition of the Town Council of Berlin ; also, the Petition of the Village Council of Fergus ; also, the Petition of the Town Council of Kincardine ; also, the Petition of the Town Council of Simcoe ; also, the Petition of the Town Council of Meaford ; also, the Petition of the Town Council of Bowmanville ; also, the Petition of the Town Council of Smith's Falls ; also, the Petition of the Village Council of Exeter ; also, the Petition of the Village Council of Beaverton ; also, the Petition of the Town Council

of Thorold ; also, the Petition of the Town Council of Clinton ; also, the Petition of the Town Council of Forest ; also, the Petition of the Village Council of Alvinston ; also, the Petition of the Town Council of Sault Ste. Marie ; also, the Petition of the Town Council of Cayuga ; also, the Petition of the Town Council of Dresden ; also, the Petition of the Town Council of Penetanguishene ; also, the Petition of the Village Council of Parkhill ; also, the Petition of the Village Council of Delhi.

By Mr. Ferguson, the Petition of the Township Council of Orford.

By Mr. Beatty (Leeds), three Petitions of the County Council of the United Counties of Leeds and Grenville.

By Mr. Brown, the Petition of the County Council of Perth.

By Mr. Kribs, the Petition of the County Council of Waterloo ; also, the Petition of the Township Council of North Dumfries.

By Mr. Barr, the Petition of the County Council of Dufferin.

By Mr. Reid (Durham), the Petition of the Township Council of Darlington.

By Mr. Carnegie, the Petition of James H. Rutherford and others ; also, the Petition of James Jackson and others ; also, the Petition of John H. Brandon and others ; also, the Petition of William Barber and others all of Fenelon ; also, the Petition of the Township Council of Fenelon.

By Mr. Garrow, the Petition of the Village Council of Exeter.

By Mr. Duff, the Petition of the Town Council of Collingwood.

By Mr. Graham, the Petition of the Dominion Cotton Mills Company, Limited.

By Mr. Carscallen, the Petition of the Hamilton Trades and Labour Council.

By Mr. Crawford, the Petition of the Pattern Makers Association of Toronto ; also, the Petition of Price Brown and others of Toronto.

By Mr. Foy, the Petition of Edward Gurney and others of Toronto.

By Mr. Lumsden, the Petition of the Presbytery of Ottawa.

The following Petitions were read and received :—

Of the Town Council of Kincardine, praying that an Act may pass to legalize and confirm By-law No. 392, in aid of certain manufactures.

Of the London Street Railway Company, praying that an Act may pass to legalize and confirm By-laws No. 1,010 and 1,025 of the City of London and the agreements therein referred to, and certain other township By-laws of Westminster and London.

Of the Village Council of Merrickville, praying that an Act may pass to authorize the appropriation to other purposes of certain moneys levied on account of a bonus granted to the Kingston, Smith's Falls and Ottawa Railway.

Of Edward V. Douglas and others of Philadelphia, U.S.A., praying that an Act may pass to incorporate the Nickel Range Railway Company.

Of the City Council of Ottawa, praying that an Act may pass permitting the Corporation, by By-law, to enable the running of street cars on Sunday ; reducing the number of Aldermen and extending the term of office.

Of H. R. McDonald and others of Thessalon, praying that an Act may pass to incorporate the Thessalon and Grand Portage Railway Company.

Of the City Council of Toronto, praying that an Act may pass to authorize the issue of debentures and to amend 56 Vic. c. 85, so as to add to the land now occupied by the Infectious Diseases Hospital, and for other purposes.

Of the County Council of the United Counties of Northumberland and Durham; also, of the County Council of Welland, severally praying for the passing of a uniform law to regulate the use of bicycles on the Public Highways.

Of the County Council of Welland; also, of the Town Council of Niagara Falls; also, of the Village Council of Niagara Falls; also, of the Township Council of Stamford; also, of the Village Council of Chippewa, severally praying for the cancellation of the contract of the Canadian Power Company.

Of the County Council of Welland, praying certain amendments to the School Law, respecting the definition of the non-resident and county pupil.

Of the County Council of Welland, praying certain amendments to the Municipal Act, respecting the reduction of the number of Township and Village Councillors.

Of the County Council of the United Counties of Northumberland and Durham; also, of the Township Council of Bertie; also, of E. Morden and others of Welland and Monck, severally praying certain amendments to the Municipal Act, respecting the establishment of free markets for farm produce.

Of the County Council of the United Counties of Northumberland and Durham; also, of the County Council of Welland, severally praying certain amendments to the Jurors Act, respecting the expense of the selection of Jurors.

The Attorney-General, from the Special Committee appointed to prepare and report with all convenient speed, Lists of Members to compose the Select Standing Committees ordered by the House, presented the following Lists as their Second Report, which were read as follows:—

COMMITTEE ON PRIVATE BILLS.—The Attorney-General, Messieurs Auld, Barber, Barr, Beatty (Parry Sound), Blezard, Boyd, Brown, Burt, Caldwell, Campbell, Carscallen, Carpenter, Charlton, Clarke, Colquhoun, Conmee, Crawford, Davis, Dempsey, Dickenson, Douglas, Duff, Eilber, Fallis, Farwell, Ferguson, Foy, Fox, Garrow, German, Gibson, Guibord, Hill, Hodgens, Holmes, Hoyle, Hyslop, Jamieson, Joynt, Kidd, Lees, Little, Loughrin, Lucas, Lumsden, Matheson, Miscampbell, Morrison, Mutrie, Macnish, McKay, McKee, Pardo, Pattullo, Powell, Reid (Addington), Reid (Durham), Richardson, Russell, Smith, Stratton, Thompson, Truax, Tucker, Wardell, White and Whitney—68.

The Quorum of said Committee to consist of Nine members.

COMMITTEE ON RAILWAYS.—The Attorney-General, Messieurs Allan, Aylsworth, Barr, Barber, Beatty (Leeds), Beatty (Parry Sound), Blezard, Bowman, Boyd, Bridgland, Brown, Burt, Campbell, Carnegie, Carpenter, Carscallen, Charlton, Colquhoun, Conmee, Crawford, Davis, Dryden, Duff, Eilber, Faliis, Farwell, Ferguson, Gallagher, Garrow,

German, Gibson, Graham, Guibord, Harty, Hill, Holmes, Hyslop, Jamieson, Jessop, Joyst, Lees, Loughrin, Lumsden, Macnish, Marter, Malcolm, Miscampbell, Morrison, Mutrie, McDonald, McKee, McKay, McLaughlin, Powell, Pyne, Reid (Addington), Reid (Durham), Richardson, Russell, Smith, Stratton, Taylor, Thompson, Truax, Wardell and Whitney—67.

The Quorum of said Committee to consist of Nine members.

COMMITTEE ON MUNICIPAL LAW.—The Attorney-General, Messieurs Allan, Auld, Aylsworth, Barber, Barr, Beatty (Leeds), Beatty (Parry Sound), Blezard, Bowman, Bridgland, Brower, Brown, Burt, Campbell, Carnegie, Carpenter, Carscallen, Clarke, Crawford, Davis, Dempsey, Dickenson, Douglas, Dryden, Duff, Eilber, Fallis, Ferguson, Foy, Fox, Garrow, German, Guibord, Hill, Hodgens, Holmes, Hoyle, Hyslop, Jamieson, Jessop, Kidd, Kribs, Leys, Little, Lucas, Lumsden, Macnish, Malcolm, Marter, Mutrie, McDonald, McKee, McKay, McLaughlin, Pattullo, Pardee, Pardo, Pettypiece, Pyne, Reid (Addington), Richardson, Russell, Smith, Stratton, Taylor, Thompson, Truax, Tucker, White and Whitney—71.

The Quorum of said Committee to consist of Seven members.

COMMITTEE ON PRIVILEGES AND ELECTIONS.—The Attorney-General, Messieurs Aylsworth, Allan, Blezard, Bridgland, Caldwell, Campbell, Charlton, Conmee, Davis, Douglas, Dryden, Duff, Fallis, Farwell, Foy, Fox, Gallagher, Graham, Guibord, Harcourt, Hodgens, Jamieson, Jessop, Joyst, Lees, Marter, Miscampbell, Morrison, McDonald, McLaughlin, Pardee, Pardo, Pattullo, Pettypiece, Ross, Smith, Taylor, White and Whitney—40.

The Quorum of said Committee to consist of Nine members.

COMMITTEE ON LEGAL BILLS.—The Attorney-General, Messieurs Carscallen, Davis, Farwell, Foy, Garrow, German, Gibson, Matheson, McKay, Ross, Thompson, Pardee, Wardell and Whitney—15.

The Quorum of said Committee to consist of Five members.

COMMITTEE ON PRINTING.—Messieurs Auld, Beatty (Leeds), Colquhoun, Dempsey, Graham, Harcourt, Kribs, Pattullo, Pettypiece, Ross, Russell, Stratton, Tucker and Wardell—14.

The Quorum of said Committee to consist of Five members.

COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC ACCOUNTS.—Messieurs Auld, Bowman, Boyd, Caldwell, Carnegie, Carpenter, Carscallen, Charlton, Clarke, Conmee, Crawford, Davis, Dickenson, Eilber, Garrow, German, Harcourt, Harty, Hoyle, Kidd, Loughrin, Macnish, Matheson, Pardee, Reid (Addington), Stratton, Tucker, Wardell and Whitney.

The Quorum of said Committee to consist of Seven members.

Resolved, That this House doth concur in the above Report.

The following Bills were severally introduced and read the first time :—

Bill (No. 39), intituled “ An Act respecting By-law No. 913, of the City of Belleville.”—Mr. Russell.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 11), intituled "An Act respecting By-law No. 462, of the Town of Dundas."—Mr. Wardell.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 22), intituled "An Act respecting the Hamilton Young Women's Christian Association and Technical Institute"—Mr. Carscallen.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 12), intituled "An Act to confirm By-law No. 152, of the Village of Tara."—Mr. Bowman.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 105), intituled, "An Act to amend the Municipal Act."—Mr. Kribs.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Thursday next.

Bill (No. 106), intituled "An Act to amend the Municipal Act."—Mr. Jamieson.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Thursday next.

On motion of The Attorney-General, seconded by Mr. Ross,

Ordered, That a Select Committee be appointed to act with Mr. Speaker in the control and management of the Library, to be composed as follows: The Attorney-General and Messieurs Harcourt, Ross, Davis, Matheson, Stratton, Whitney, Graham, Lucas, and Foy.

The Order of the Day for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Motion, "That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair," having been read,

The Debate was resumed,

And, after some time, it was

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned until To-morrow.

Mr. Davis presented to the House by command of His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor :—

Return to an Address to His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor of the tenth day of August, 1898, praying that he will cause to be laid before this House a Return of copies of all Orders in Council, correspondence and other documents relating to the deciding upon, and purchase of a site in the City of London for the proposed Normal School. (*Sessional Papers No. 56.*)

The House then adjourned at 6 p.m.

Wednesday, 15th February, 1899.

3 o'CLOCK P.M.

PRAYERS.

The following Petitions were severally brought up and laid upon the Table :—

By Mr. Harty, the Petition of the City Council of Kingston.

By Mr. German, the Petition of the Town Council of Niagara Falls ; also, the Petition of the Michigan Central Railway Company ; also, the Petition of the Canada Southern Railway Company ; also, the Petition of the Niagara River Bridge Company.

By Mr. Pardo, five Petitions of the County Council of Kent.

By Mr. Richardson, four Petitions of the County Council of York.

By Mr. Hill, four Petitions of the County Council of York.

By Mr. Fox, the Petition of G. H. Hopkins and others of Sturgeon Point.

By Mr. Beattie (Leeds), two Petitions of the County Council of the United Counties of Leeds and Grenville.

By Mr. Mutrie, the Petition of the Township Council of Puslinch.

By Mr. Foy, the Petition of the Toronto Trades and Labour Council.

The following Petitions were read and received :—

Of Edward V. Douglas and others of Philadelphia, U.S.A., praying that an Act may pass to incorporate the Algoma Central Railway Company.

Of the Canadian Colored Cotton Mills Company, Limited, praying that an Act may pass to legalize and confirm a certain By-law of the Town of Cornwall.

Of the Honourable George A. Cox and others of Toronto, praying that an Act may pass to incorporate the Haliburton, Whitney and Mattawa Railway Company.

Of Daniel F. Burk and others of Port Arthur, praying that an Act may pass to incorporate the Thunder Bay Pulp and Manufacturing Company.

Of Mayflower Association, Knights of Labour, No. 6564, of Toronto, praying certain amendments to the Assessment Act, in the matter of taxation of improved property.

Of the Trades and Labour Congress of Canada ; also, of the St. Catherines Trades and Labour Council ; also, of the St. Catherines Carpenters Union, No. 38, severally praying certain amendments to the Assessment Act, respecting the equalization of assessment,

Of the County Council of Dufferin, praying certain amendments to the License Act, respecting the powers of commissioners to grant extra licenses.

Of the City Council of St. Thomas, praying certain amendments to the Municipal Act, respecting hawkers and transient traders.

Of John Zimmerman and others of Tavistock, praying that Bill No. 91, relating to the Workmen's Compensation for Injuries Act, may not pass.

Mr. McKay from the Standing Committee on Standing Orders presented their Third Report, which was read as follows and adopted :—

The Committee have carefully examined the following Petitions and find the notices as published in each case sufficient :—

Of the Town Council of Seaforth, praying that an Act may pass to authorize the submission of a By-law empowering the Corporation to borrow \$37,000 in aid of certain works.

Of Edward Spencer Jenison of Chicago, U.S.A., praying that an Act may pass to conduct the waters of the Kaministiqua River from Ecarte Rapids to the Town of Port Arthur and Fort William and intervening points.

Of the Village Council of Southampton, praying that an Act may pass to legalize and confirm By-law No. 304, in aid of the Southampton Manufacturing Company.

Of the Toronto General Trusts Company and the Trusts Corporation of Ontario, praying that an Act may pass to unite them as one Corporation; to re-cast the capital amount of both, and for other purposes.

Of the Brantford Gas Company, praying that an Act may pass to extend their Charter and powers thereunder.

Of the City Council of Stratford, praying that an Act may pass to legalize and confirm By-law No. 779, in aid of the Whyte Packing Company.

Of the Township Council of Madoc, praying that an Act may pass authorizing the issue of Debentures for the redemption and retiring of certain debentures issued under By-law No. 81.

Of the Village Council of Madoc, praying that an Act may pass to consolidate their debenture debt.

Of the Town Council of Newmarket, praying that an Act may pass to legalize and confirm By-law No. 234, in aid of the erection of certain buildings.

Of William Russell the younger and others of Pembroke, praying that an Act may pass to incorporate the Toronto, Lindsay and Pembroke Railway Company.

Of Harvey W. Evenden and others of the Island of Campement d' Ours, praying that an Act may pass to incorporate the Worthington and Onaping Railway Company.

Of the Town Council of Goderich, praying than an Act may pass authorizing them to guarantee the bonds or debentures of the Goderich Elevator and Transit Company, Limited.

Of the Town Council of Sarnia, praying that an Act may pass to legalize and confirm By-laws No. 488 and 489, fixing the assessment of certain Companies.

Of the Township Council of Caledonia, praying that an Act may pass to legalize and confirm By-law No. 255, in aid of drainage works.

Of George M. Gardner of Toronto, praying that an Act may pass to authorize the Supreme Court of Judicature for Ontario, to admit him to practise as a Solicitor therein.

Of Arthur Smyth Burrows and others of Sault Ste. Marie, praying that an Act may pass to incorporate the Bruce Mines and Algoma Railway Company.

Of the Canadian Electric and Water Power Company, Limited, praying than an Act may pass to confirm an agreement for the construction of Waterworks in the Town of Perth.

Of the Town Council of Oshawa, praying that an Act may pass to legalize and confirm By-law No. 460, for construction of Water Works.

Of the Village Council of Blyth, praying that an Act may pass to consolidate the debenture debt.

Of the Town Council of Goderich, praying that an Act may pass authorizing the issue of debentures in aid of Water and Electric Light Works and Plant.

Of the Town Council of Smith's Falls, praying that an Act may pass to consolidate the debenture debt and for other purposes.

Of the Smith's Falls, Rideau, and Southern Railway Company, praying that an Act may pass to amend their Act of Incorporation.

Of the Town Council of Simcoe, praying that an Act may pass to consolidate their debt.

Mr. McKay, from the Standing Committee on Standing Orders, presented their Fourth Report, which was read as follows and adopted :—

The Committee have carefully examined the Petition of the Town Council of Lindsay, praying that an Act may pass to legalize and confirm By-law No. 818, authorizing a loan of \$20,000 to Richard Sylvester, and the passing of a By-law granting a bonus of \$2,000 to Messieurs Rider and Kitchener.

The Committee find that notice of the proposed application to this Legislature has been duly published in the "Ontario Gazette" and in "The Watchman and Victoria Warden," this latter being a newspaper published in the Town of Lindsay, for the space of six weeks.

The Committee also find that the notice and Petition agree, except in this particular, that in the Petition these words appear "that in the event of the agreement with the said firm of Rider and Kitchener being determined, power and authority may be given to your petitioners to grant a similar bonus and privilege to any other person or persons on similar terms," and of this no mention is made in the notice.

The Committee recommend that the attention of the Private Bills Committee be directed to this matter and find that in other particulars the Rules of this Honourable House have been complied with.

The following Bills were severally introduced and read the first time :—

Bill (No. 14), intituled "An Act respecting By-law No. 109 of the Town of Welland."—Mr. German.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 21), intituled "An Act to consolidate the debt of the Town of Mattawa."—Mr. Loughrin.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 28), intituled "An Act to confirm an agreement between the Town of Perth and the Perth Water Works Company, Limited, and for other purposes."—Mr. Lumsden.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 53), intituled "An Act respecting the Town of Lindsay."—Mr. Fox.
Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 17), intituled "An Act respecting the debt of the Village of Madoc."—
Mr. Allen.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 13), intituled "An Act respecting the Township of Madoc."—Mr. Allen.
Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 41), intituled "An Act to consolidate certain debts of the Town of
Simcoe."—Mr. Carpenter.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 30), intituled "An Act respecting certain By-laws concerning drainage in
the Township of Caledonia, Alfred and South Plantagenet."—Mr. Guibord.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 8), intituled "An Act to incorporate the Toronto, Lindsay and Pembroke
Railway Company."—Mr. Fox.

Referred to the Committee on Railways.

Bill (No. 25), intituled "An Act to legalize and confirm By-laws 488 and 489 of
the Town of Sarnia."—Mr. Pardee.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill No. 20), intituled "An Act respecting the Toronto General Trusts Company
and the Trusts Corporation of Ontario."—Mr. Pardee.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 32), intituled "An Act to confirm By-law No. 779 of the City of Strat-
ford."—Mr. Brown.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 19), intituled "An Act respecting the Brantford Gas Company."—Mr.
Burt.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 31), intituled "An Act to amend the Act respecting the Town of God-
erich."—Mr. Garrow.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 35), intituled "An Act to authorize the Town of Goderich to borrow
\$25,000."—Mr. Garrow.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 37), intituled "An Act respecting the debenture indebtedness of the Village of Blyth."—Mr. Garrow.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No 18), intituled "An Act respecting By-law No. 304 of the Village of Southampton."—Mr. Bowman.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 16), intituled "An Act to confirm By-law No. 234 of the Town of Newmarket."—Mr. Richardson.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 9), intituled "An Act respecting the Church of the Holy Trinity, Toronto."—Mr. Foy.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 62), intituled "An Act to authorize the Supreme Court of Judicature for Ontario to admit George Macgregor Gardner to practice as a Solicitor."—Mr. Hill.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 44), intituled "An Act to incorporate the Bruce Mines and Algoma Railway Company."—Mr. Farwell.

Referred to the Committee on Railways.

Bill (No. 43), intituled "An Act to incorporate the Worthington and Onaping Railway Company."—Mr. Farwell.

Referred to the Committee on Railways.

Bill (No. 54), intituled "An Act respecting the Town of Smith's Falls."—Mr. Matheson.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 55), intituled "An Act to amend the Act incorporating the Smith's Falls and Southern Railway Company."—Mr. Matheson.

Referred to the Committee on Railways.

Bill (No. 107), intituled "An Act to amend the Act respecting the Education Department."—Mr. Brower.

Ordered, that the Bill be read the second time on Friday next.

Bill (No. 108), intituled "An Act to amend the Municipal Act."—Mr. Kidd.

Ordered, that the Bill be read the second time on Friday next.

Bill (No. 109), intituled "An Act to amend the Municipal Act."—Mr. Mutrie.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Friday next.

Bill (No. 110), intituled "An Act to amend the Public Schools Act."—Mr. Brower.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Friday next.

Bill (No. 111), intituled "An Act to amend the Act incorporating the Ontario Veterinary Association."—Mr. German.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Friday next.

Bill (No. 112), intituled "An Act to amend the Assessment Act."—Mr. German.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Friday next.

Bill (No. 113), intituled "An Act to amend the Municipal Act."—Mr. Hill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Friday next.

Bill (No. 114), intituled "An Act to amend the Municipal Act."—Mr. Brower.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Friday next.

Bill (No. 115), intituled "An Act to amend the Assessment Act."—Mr. Marter.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Friday next.

On motion of Mr. McLaughlin, seconded by Mr. McDonald.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of copies of all correspondence between any member of the Government and any other person or persons, also, of all petitions to the Legislative Assembly of Ontario, from the County Council of the United Counties of Stormont, Dundas and Glengarry, relating to dispensing with the services of one of the two licensed inspectors appointed for the Town of Cornwall and the outlying County of Stormont, comprising the electoral district of Stormont.

The Order of the Day for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Motion, "That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair," having been read,

The Debate was resumed,

And, after some time, it was

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned until To-morrow.

Mr. Davis presented to the House by Command of His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor :—

Report on the working of the Tavern and Shop Licenses Acts for the year 1898.
(*Sessional Papers No. 8.*)

The House then adjourned at 6 p.m.

Thursday, 16th February, 1899.

3 O'CLOCK P.M.

PRAYERS.

The following Petitions were severally brought up and laid upon the Table :—

By Mr. Ross, the Petition of the County Council of Middlesex; also, the Petition of the Town Council of Strathroy; also, the Petition of the Town Council of Lindsay.

By Mr. Miscampbell, the Petition of the Township Council of Orillia.

By Mr. Jessop, the Petition of the St. Catharines Water Works Commission.

By Mr. Mutrie, the Petition of the County Council of Wellington.

By Mr. Boyd, the Petition of the Township Council of Derby.

By Mr. Marter, the Petition of the Toronto Trades and Labour Council.

The following Petitions were read and received :—

Of the Town Council of Collingwood, praying that an Act may pass to consolidate their debt.

Of the Village Council of Exeter, praying that an Act may pass to legalize and confirm a certain By-law, *in re* assessment of lands.

Of the Dominion Cotton Mills Company, Limited, praying that an Act may pass to legalize and confirm a certain By-law of the City of Kingston, exempting certain property from municipal taxation.

Of the Presbytery of Ottawa, of the Presbyterian Church in Canada, praying that the Bill before the House relating to the running of Sunday Street Cars in the City of Ottawa, may not pass.

Of Edward Gurney and others of Toronto, praying that an Act may pass to incorporate the Toronto Hotel Company.

Of Price Brown and others of Toronto, praying that an Act may pass to incorporate the Toronto Western Hospital.

Of the Township Council of Fenelon ; also, of Thomas H. Rutherford and others ; also, of John H. Brandon and others ; also, of William Barber and others ; also, of James Jackson and others, all of Fenelon, severally praying that the Bill before the House to incorporate the Village of Sturgeon Point, may not pass.

Of the County Council of the United Counties of Leeds and Grenville, praying certain amendments to the Municipal Act, respecting the audit of accounts and the appointment of auditors.

Of the Pattern Makers Association of Toronto, praying certain amendments to the Assessment Act, respecting the taxation of improved property.

Of the Hamilton Trades and Labour Council, praying certain amendments to the Assessment Act, respecting the equalization of taxation.

Of the County Council of the United Counties of Leeds and Grenville, praying for the passing of a uniform law regulating the use of bicycles on the Public Highways.

Of the Township Council of Darlington ; also, of the County Council of the United Counties of Leeds and Grenville ; also, of the Township Council of North Dumfries ; also, of the Township Council of Oxford, severally praying certain amendments to the Municipal Act, respecting free markets for farm produce.

Of the County Council of Dufferin, praying for the restoration of Primary Examinations and the granting of Primary Certificates.

Of the County Council of Waterloo ; also, of the County Council of Perth, severally praying certain amendments to the Election Act, respecting the custody of Voters' Lists.

Of the Town Council of Cayuga ; also, of the Village Council of Delhi ; also, of the Village Council of Parkhill ; also, of the Town Council of Penetanguishene ; also, of the Town Council of Dresden ; also, of the Town Council of Sault Ste. Marie ; also, of the Village Council of Alvinston ; also, of the Town Council of Forest ; also, of the Town Council of Clinton ; also, of the Town Council of Thorold ; also, of the Village Council of Beaverton ; also, of the Village Council of Exeter ; also, of the Town Council of Smith's Falls ; also, of the Town Council of Bowmanville ; also, of the Town Council of Meaford ; also, of the Town Council of Simcoe ; also, of the Town Council of Kincardine ; also, of the Village Council of Fergus ; also, of the Town Council of Berlin ; also, of the Town Council of Cornwall ; also, of the Town Council of North Bay ; also, of the Town Council of Niagara Falls, severally praying certain amendments to the Municipal Act, respecting the local improvement clauses and the cost of local improvements.

Mr. McKay from the Standing Committee on Standing Orders presented their Fifth Report, which was read as follows and adopted :—

The Committee have carefully examined the following Petitions and find the notices as published in each case sufficient :

Of the Honourable Geo. A. Cox and others of Toronto, praying that an Act may pass to incorporate the Haliburton, Whitney and Mattawa Railway Company.

Of Joseph J. Follett and others of Toronto, praying that an Act may pass to incorporate the Mutuality Life Insurance Company.

Of the Town Council of Prescott, praying that an Act may pass to legalize and confirm By-law No. 467 *re* construction of Water Works and Sewers.

The Committee recommend that Rule No. 51 of this Honourable House be further suspended in this that the time for receiving petitions for Private Bills be further extended until and inclusive of Thursday, the twenty-third day of February instant, and that the time for introducing Private Bills be extended until and inclusive of Monday the twenty-seventh day of February instant.

Ordered, That the time for presenting Petitions for Private Bills be further extended until and inclusive of Thursday the twenty-third day of February instant, and that the time for introducing Private Bills be extended until and inclusive of Monday the twenty-seventh day of February instant.

The following Bills were severally introduced and read the first time :—

Bill (No. 47), intituled "An Act respecting the Mutuality Life Insurance Company."—Mr. Marter.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 15), intituled "An Act to confirm By-law No. 467 of the Town of Prescott."—Mr. Joynt.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 48), intituled "An Act respecting the Town of Oshawa."—Mr. Dryden.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 33), intituled "An Act respecting the Town of Seaforth."—Mr. Garrow.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 116), intituled "An Act to amend the Assessment Act."—Mr. Joynt.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Monday next.

Bill (No. 117), intituled "An Act to amend the Registry Act."—Mr. Kribs.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Monday next.

Bill (No. 118), intituled "An Act to improve the laws respecting Public Schools."—
Mr. Ross.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Tuesday next.

Bill (No. 119), intituled "An Act to amend the Assessment Act."—Mr. Macnish.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Monday next.

Bill (No. 120), intituled "An Act to amend the Municipal Act."—Mr. Macnish.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Monday next.

The Order of the Day for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Motion, "That
Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair," having been read,

The Debate was resumed,

And, after some time, it was

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned until To-morrow.

The House then adjourned at 6 p.m.

Friday, 17th February, 1899.

3 O'CLOCK P.M.

PRAYERS.

The following Petitions were severally brought up and laid upon the Table:—

By Mr. Dryden, the Petition of the County Council of Ontario; also, the Petition
of the Town Council of Whitby.

By Mr. Clarke, the Petition of the Town Council of Cobourg.

By Mr. Foy, the Petition of the Incorporated Synod of the Diocese of Toronto.

By Mr. Leys, the Petition of the Young Men's Christian Association of London.

By Mr. Malcolm, the Petition of the Township Council of Kincardine.

By Mr. Hill, the Petition of the Township Council of Etobicoke.

The following Petitions were read and received :—

Of the Town Council of Niagara Falls ; also, of the Michigan Central Railway Company ; also, of the Canada Southern Railway Company ; also, of the Niagara River Bridge Company, severally praying that an Act may pass to legalize and confirm By-law No. 401 of the Town of Niagara Falls.

Of G. H. Hopkins and others of Sturgeon Point, praying that an Act may pass to incorporate the Village of Sturgeon Point.

Of the County Council of York, praying certain amendments to the Agriculture and Arts Act, respecting certain powers of expropriation.

Of the County Council of York, praying certain amendments to the Assessment Act, respecting the eligibility of farmers' sons to be drafted as Jurors.

Of the Toronto Trades and Labour Council, praying certain amendments to the Assessment Act, respecting the taxation of improved property.

Of the County Council of Kent, praying for the passing of a uniform law regulating the use of bicycles on the Public Highway.

Of the County Council of York ; also, of the County Council of the United Counties of Leeds and Grenville, severally praying certain amendments to the High Schools Act, respecting the maintenance of county pupils.

Of the County Council of the United Counties of Leeds and Grenville ; also, of the County Council of Kent, severally praying certain amendments to the Election Act, respecting the custody of Voters' Lists.

Of the County Council of Kent, praying certain amendments to the Jurors' Act, respecting the cost of the selection of Jurors.

Of the County Council of York, praying certain amendments to the Municipal Act, respecting the assets in cases of towns separating from counties.

Of the City Council of Kingston, praying certain amendments to the Municipal Act, respecting the power of municipal councils to exempt grain elevators from taxation.

Of the County Council of Kent, praying certain amendments to the Municipal Act, respecting the audit of accounts and the appointment of auditors.

Of the County Council of Kent, praying certain amendments to the Municipal Act, respecting the annual election of councillors and the expense attending the same.

Of the Township Council of Puslinch, praying certain amendments to the Municipal Act, respecting the establishment of free markets for farm produce.

Of the County Council of York, praying certain amendments to the law, respecting the powers of county councils to pass by-laws defining who shall make commitments of Indigent persons to Industrial Homes.

Of the County Council of York, praying that the control of street railways, in counties, may be placed in the hands of county councils.

Of the County Council of York, praying certain amendments to the Municipal Act, respecting the supplying of councillors with copies of the Voters Lists.

Of the County Council of York, praying certain amendments to the law in respect of the change of venue in criminal cases from one county to another.

The following Bills were severally introduced and read the first time :—

Bill (No. 26), intituled "An Act to authorize Jacob Zielinski to practice the Eclectic System of Medicine in the Province of Ontario."—Mr. Hill.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 38), intituled "An Act to amend the Act to enable Edward Spencer Jenison to develop and improve a Water Privilege on the Kaministiquia River, and extend the provisions thereof."—Mr. Conmee.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 121), intituled "An Act to amend the Judicature Act."—Mr. German.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Wednesday next.

Bill (No. 122), intituled "An Act to amend the Municipal Water Works Act."—Mr. Thompson.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Wednesday next.

Bill (No. 123), intituled "An Act to amend the Voters Lists Act."—Mr. Pyne.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Wednesday next.

Bill (No. 124), intituled "An Act to amend the Ontario Elections Act."—Mr. Wardell.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Wednesday next.

Bill (No. 125), intituled "An Act to prohibit Voting by Ballot in Municipal Councils."—Mr. Pattullo.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Wednesday next.

Bill (No. 126), intituled "An Act respecting Cemetery Companies."—Mr. Marter.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Wednesday next.

Bill (No. 127), intituled "An Act to amend the Municipal Act."—Mr. Wardell.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Wednesday next.

On motion of Mr. Matheson, seconded by Mr. Marter.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of copies of all papers and documents in relation to the proposed contract for public printing, including specifications, tenders and a comparative statement shewing the different tenders for

each item of the specification and the estimate of quantities required. Also, the total estimated amount of each tender. Also, of copies of all correspondence, if any, between the Queen's Printer and the heads of Departments as to preparation of specifications for contract for public printing. Also, of all reports, if any, of expert printers as to details of said specifications and also, of all other correspondence appertaining thereto, or to the letting of the contract or conditions required from the contractor.

The Order of the Day for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Motion, "That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair," having been read,

The Debate was resumed,

And, after some time, it was

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned until Tuesday next.

Mr. Davis presented to the House :—

Return to an Order of the House of the seventeenth day of August, 1898, for a Return of copies of all correspondence and papers relating to, or connected with, the confinement of Hiram Augustus McCrea in the Asylums at Kingston and Brockville, and his release therefrom. (*Sessional Papers No. 57.*)

The House then adjourned at 3.50 p.m.

Monday, 20th February, 1899.

3 o'CLOCK P.M.

PRAYERS.

The following Petitions were severally brought up and laid upon the Table :—

By the Attorney-General, the Petition of J. Cleak and others of Bancroft.

By Mr. Ross, the Petition of the Town Council of Walkerville.

By Mr. Gibson, the Petition of the Village Council of Elora.

By Mr. Brown, the Petition of the County Council of Perth.

By Mr. Thompson, the Petition of Horatio C. Crease of Barrie.

By Mr. Macnish, the Petition of the County Council of Elgin.

The following Petitions were read and received :—

Of the County Council of Middlesex, praying that the Bill before the House to confirm an agreement between the City of London and the County, may pass.

Of the St. Catharines Water Works Commission, praying that an Act may pass to revise and consolidate the Acts relating to the Commission.

Of the Toronto Trades and Labour Council, praying certain amendments to the Assessment Act, respecting the equalization of assessment.

Of the County Council of Wellington, praying certain amendments to the Election Act, respecting the custody of Voters' Lists.

Of the Town Council of Strathroy ; also, of the Town Council of Lindsay, severally praying certain amendments to the Municipal Act, respecting the local improvement clauses and the cost of local improvements.

Of the Township Council of Orillia ; also, of the Township Council of Derby, severally praying certain amendments to the Municipal Act, respecting the establishment of free markets for farm produce.

The following Bills were severally introduced and read the first time :—

Bill (No. 128), intituled "An Act to amend the Ontario Game Protection Act."—Mr. Reid (Addington.)

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Wednesday next.

(Bill (No. 129), intituled "An Act respecting Town Councils."—Mr. Pattullo.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Wednesday next.

Bill (No. 130), intituled "An Act respecting Sureties."—Mr. Foy.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Wednesday next.

Bill (No. 131), intituled "An Act to amend the Municipal Act."—Mr. Foy.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Wednesday next.

Bill (No. 132), intituled "An Act to amend the Registry Act."—Mr. Brown.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Wednesday next.

Bill (No. 133), intituled "An Act to amend the Election Act."—Mr. Tucker.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Wednesday next.

The following Bills were severally read the second time :—

Bill (No. 96), To amend the Municipal Act.

Referred to the Municipal Committee.

Bill (No. 103), To amend the Assessment Act.

Referred to the Municipal Committee.

Bill (No. 104), To amend the Municipal Act.

Referred to the Municipal Committee.

Mr. Davis presented to the House by command of His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor :—

Report of the Provincial Municipal Auditor for the year 1898. (*Sessional Papers No. 41.*)

Also—Copy of an Agreement between the Inspector of Prisons and Public Charities and the Independent Cordage Company of Ontario (Limited), respecting the Manufacture of Rope at the Central Prison, Toronto. (*Sessional Papers No. 58.*)

The House then adjourned at 4.10 p.m.

Tuesday, 21st February, 1899.

3 O'CLOCK P.M.

PRAYERS.

The following Petitions were severally brought up and laid upon the Table :—

By Mr. Auld, the Petition of the County Council of Essex.

By Mr. McKee, the Petition of the City Council of Windsor ; also, two Petitions of the County Council of Essex.

By Mr. Miscampbell, the Petition of the Town Council of Midland ; also, the Petition of the Canada Iron Furnace Company, Limited.

By Mr. Brower, the Petition of the Aylmer Collegiate Institute Board.

By Mr. Caldwell, the Petition of Alfred Wilson and others of Toronto.

By Mr. Foy, the Petition of George Gooderham of Toronto.

By Mr. Crawford, the Petition of the City Council of Toronto.

By Mr. Malcolm, the Petition of the County Council of Bruce.

By Mr. Fox, two Petitions of the County Council of Victoria.

By Mr. Jessop, the Petition of the Township Council of South Grimsby.

By Mr. Conmee, the Petition of Paul Weidace and others of Port Arthur.

The following Petitions were read and received :—

Of the Town Council of Cobourg, praying that an Act may pass to encourage the building of summer hotels, and for other purposes.

Of the London Young Men's Christian Association, praying that an Act may pass to incorporate them.

Of the Incorporated Synod of the Diocese of Toronto, praying that an Act may pass empowering the Bishop of the Diocese to suspend or remove an incumbent of any Rectory, Parish or Mission, when the interests of the Church require such removal, and for other purposes.

Of the Town Council of Whitby, praying that an Act may pass to legalize and confirm By-law No. 559, in aid of certain manufacture.

Of the County Council of Ontario, praying certain amendments to the High Schools Act, respecting the maintenance of county pupils.

Of the Township Council of Kincardine, praying certain amendments to the Municipal Act, respecting the establishment of free markets for farm produce.

Of the Township Council of Etobicoke, praying that county councils be not given the control of street railways on roads within their municipalities.

Mr. McKay from the Standing Committee on Standing Orders presented their fifth Report, which was read as follows and adopted :—

The Committee have carefully examined the following Petitions and find the notices as published in each case sufficient :—

Of the Dominion Cotton Mills Company, Limited, praying that an Act may pass to legalize and confirm a certain By-law of the City of Kingston, exempting certain property from Municipal taxation.

Of the Town Council of Collingwood, praying that an Act may pass to consolidate their debt.

Of John Dickenson and others of Glandford, praying that an Act may pass to incorporate the Hamilton and Caledonia Railway Company.

Of the City Council of London, praying that an Act may pass to confirm a certain agreement with the Corporation of the County of Middlesex, respecting Victoria Hospital.

Of the Town Council of Seaforth, praying that an Act may pass authorizing the submission of a By-law empowering the borrowing of \$10,000 in aid of a Woolen Mill.

Of the City Council of Toronto, praying that an Act may pass to authorize the issue of debentures and to amend 56 Vic. c. 85, so as to add to the land now occupied by the Infectious Diseases Hospital and for other purposes.

Of the Town Council of Brockville, praying that an Act may pass respecting their floating debt.

Of the Town Council of Gananoque, praying that an Act may pass to legalize and confirm By-law No. 361, in aid of manufactures.

Of the Sault Ste. Marie and Hudson Bay Railway Company, praying that an Act may pass to extend the time for the commencement and completion of the road and for other purposes.

Of H. R. McDonald and others of Thessalon, praying that an Act may pass to incorporate the Thessalon and Grand Portage Railway Company.

Of the City Council of Ottawa, praying that an Act may pass permitting the Corporation, by By-law, to enable the running of Street Cars on Sunday ; reducing the number of Aldermen and extending their term of Office.

Of the Township Council of York, praying that an Act may pass authorizing the passing of certain By-laws and for other purposes.

Of Price Brown and others of Toronto, praying that an Act may pass to incorporate the Toronto Western Hospital.

Of Edward Gurney and others of Toronto, praying that an Act may pass to incorporate the Toronto Hotel Company.

Mr. McKay from the Standing Committee on Standing Orders presented their Sixth Report, which was read as follows and adopted :—

The Committee have carefully examined the Petition of G. H. Hopkins and others of Sturgeon Point, praying that an Act may pass to incorporate the Village of Sturgeon Point, and find that notice of the proposed application to this Legislature has been published for the term of six weeks in the "Ontario Gazette" and in the "Weekly Post," a newspaper published in the Town of Lindsay.

The Committee also find that the Petition does not enumerate the lots proposed to be included in such incorporation, while certain lots are set forth in the notice as those to be so included.

The Committee have examined a map of the territory, produced before them, and are of the opinion from evidence heard before them that Lot number 12 in the 1st Concession of Verulam, from its position, would naturally come within the limits of the proposed corporation and has been omitted from the notice.

The Committee would recommend that the attention of the Private Bills Committee be directed to this matter, with a view to all parties interested having notice of the proposed legislation.

Mr. McKay from the Standing Committee on Standing Orders presented their Seventh Report, which was read as follows and adopted :—

The Committee have carefully examined the Petition of Daniel F. Burk and others of Port Arthur, praying that an Act may pass to incorporate the Thunder Bay Pulp and Manufacturing Company and find that notice of the proposed application to this Legislature appeared in the "Ontario Gazette" on the 28th day of January last past, and the 4th, 11th and 18th days of February instant, and that said notice also appeared in the "Weekly Herald" and "Algoma Miner" on the 27th day of January last and on the 1st, 3rd and 8th days of February instant.

The Committee also find that among other things the Petition asks for "power to engage in the business of mining, milling and smelting ores"; "for power to acquire, "hold and dispose of timber licenses and permits, real estate and elevators and ware-houses"; and "for power to build, acquire and operate steam, electric and other rail-ways and tramways and telegraph and telephone lines within the District of Algoma "West," of which no mention is made in the Notice.

The Committee are of the opinion that the intention of the Petitioners to apply for these powers should have been set forth in the notice, and the Committee therefore find the

notices as published sufficient as regards the Incorporation of the Company with power to construct and operate pulp, lumber and other mills and factories and to manufacture and deal in all kinds of wood products and with power to develop and improve water powers and dispose of the surplus power produced, but insufficient in as far as the other powers sought and hereinbefore set forth are concerned. The Committee would therefore recommend that the attention of the Private Bills Committee be directed to this matter and that the Bill founded on the Petition be confined to the matters of which notice has been given.

Mr. Gibson, from the Standing Committee on Private Bills, presented their First Report, which was read as follows and adopted :—

The Committee have carefully considered Bill (No. 14), "An Act respecting By-law No. 109 of the Town of Wetland," and report the same with amendments.

The following Bills were severally introduced and read the first time :—

Bill (No. 49), intituled "An Act to confirm By-law No. 361 of the Town of Gananoque."—Mr. Beatty (Leeds.)

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 42), intituled "An Act respecting the Toronto Hotel Company."—Mr. Foy.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 24), intituled "An Act to incorporate the Hamilton and Caledonia Railway Company."—Mr. Holmes.

Referred to the Committee on Railways.

Bill (No. 34), intituled "An Act respecting the City of London."—Mr. Leys.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 63), intituled "An Act to incorporate the Village of Sturgeon Point."—Mr. Fox.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 69), intituled "An Act to incorporate the Thessalon and Grand Portage Railway Company."—Mr. Farwell.

Referred to the Committee on Railways.

Bill (No. 40), intituled "An Act respecting the Township of York, and to incorporate the Town of York."—Mr. Hill.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 67), intituled "An Act to incorporate the Sault Ste. Marie and Hudson's Bay Railway Company."—Mr. Charlton.

Referred to the Committee on Railways.

Bill (No. 68), intituled "An Act to incorporate the Toronto Western Hospital."—
Mr. Crawford.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 52), intituled "An Act respecting the City of Toronto."—Mr. Crawford.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 57), intituled "An Act to consolidate the debt of the Town of Collingwood."—Mr. Duff.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 27), intituled "An Act respecting the Town of Seaforth."—Mr. Garrow.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 71), intituled "An Act respecting the City of Ottawa."—Mr. Lumsden.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 56), intituled "An Act respecting the City of Kingston and the Dominion Cotton Mills Company."—Mr. Graham.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 59), intituled "An Act respecting the floating debt of the Town of Brockville."—Mr. Graham.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 76), intituled "An Act to incorporate the Thunder Bay Pulp and Manufacturing Company."—Mr. Conmee.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 134), intituled "An Act to amend the Public Libraries Act."—Mr. Ross.

Ordered, that the Bill be read the second time on Thursday next.

The Order of the Day for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Motion, "That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair," having been read,

The Debate was resumed,

And, after some time, it was

Ordered, That the debate be further adjourned until To-morrow.

The House then adjourned at 5.35 p.m.

Wednesday, 22nd February, 1899.

3 O'CLOCK P.M.

PRAYERS.

The following Petitions were severally brought up and laid upon the Table :—

By Mr. Whitney, the Petition of the Village Council of Winchester.

By Mr. Boyd, the Petition of the Town Council of Owen Sound.

By Mr. Richardson, the Petition of the Township Council of Whitchurch ; also, the Petition of the Township Council of Scarboro.

By Mr. Fox, the Petition of James Graham of Lindsay ; also, the Petition of the Town Council of Lindsay.

By Mr. Barr, two Petitions of the County Council of Dufferin.

By Mr. Loughrin, the Petition of Hugh Mooney of Mattawa ; also, the Petition of the Township Council of Papineau ; also, the Petition of the Township Council of Calvin ; also, the Petition of the Township Council of Cameron ; also, the Petition of the Town Council of Mattawa ; also, the Petition of the Township Council of Mattawan.

The following Petitions were read and received :—

Of the Village Council of Elora, praying that the Bill before the House to ratify and confirm a certain By-law of the City of Belleville in aid of carpet manufacture, may not pass.

Of Horatio C. Crease of Barrie, praying that an Act may pass to authorize the Royal College of Dental Surgeons to admit him as a licentiate of Dental Surgery.

Of J. Cleak and others of Bancroft, praying that it be a condition to any grant to the Central Ontario Railway Company, that the line shall pass within a reasonable distance of the Village of Bancroft.

Of the County Council of Elgin, praying certain amendments to the Election Act respecting the custody of Voters Lists.

Of the County Council of Perth, praying that the North and South Ridings of the County may be re-united for registration purposes.

Of the Town Council of Walkerville, praying certain amendments to the Municipal Act, respecting the local improvement clauses and the cost of local improvements.

Mr. Gibson from the Standing Committee on Private Bills presented their Second Report, which was read as follows and adopted :—

The Committee have carefully considered Bill (No. 9), "An Act respecting the Church of the Holy Trinity, Toronto," and have amended the preamble of the Bill so as to make the same conform with the facts as they appear to the Committee.

The Committee have also considered Bill (No. 41), "An Act to consolidate certain Debts of the Town of Simcoe," and report the same with amendments.

The Committee would recommend that the fees, less the actual cost of printing, be remitted on Bill (No. 9), on the ground that the said Bill relates to a religious institution.

Ordered, That the fees, less the actual cost of printing, be remitted on Bill (No. 9), Church of the Holy Trinity, Toronto.

The following Bills were severally introduced and read the first time:—

Bill (No. 78), intituled "An Act to incorporate the Haliburton, Whitney and Mattawa Railway Company."—Mr. Pyne.

Referred to the Committee on Railways.

Bill (No. 135), intituled "An Act to amend the Local Courts Act."—Mr. Hoyle.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Friday next.

Bill (No. 136), intituled "An Act respecting Civil Engineers."—Mr. Russell.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Friday next.

Bill (No. 137), intituled "An Act to amend the Municipal Act."—Mr. Carnegie.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Friday next.

Bill (No. 138), intituled "An Act to amend the Municipal Act."—Mr. Richardson.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Friday next.

Bill (No. 139), intituled "An Act to amend the High Schools Act."—Mr. Richardson.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Friday next.

On motion of Mr. Jessop, seconded by Mr. Hoyle,

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of copies of all correspondence between any member of the Government and the License Inspector for the County of Lincoln and any other person or persons, referring to or respecting the alleged connection of the Inspector with the business of cigar manufacture.

On motion of Mr. Hoyle, seconded by Mr. Miscampbell,

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return shewing the number of cases entered in the County Court of the County of Ontario for the past five years; the amount of money collected through the Sheriff during the same period and shewing, as well, the number of cases entered in the Division Court of the same County during the past five years, and the amount of money collected in the Court during the same period. Also, shewing the number of cases that went to trial in each Court respectively.

The following Bills were severally read the second time:—

Bill (No. 93), To amend the County Councils Act.

Referred to the Municipal Committee.

Bill (No. 108), To amend the Municipal Act.

Referred to the Municipal Committee.

Bill (No. 109), To amend the Municipal Act.

Referred to the Municipal Committee.

Bill (No. 112), To amend the Assessment Act.

Referred to the Municipal Committee.

Bill (No. 114), To amend the Municipal Act.

Referred to the Legal Committee.

Bill (No. 122), To amend the Municipal Water Works Act.

Referred to the Municipal Committee.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of Bill (No. 107), Respecting the Education Department, having been read,

Ordered, That the Order be discharged, and that the Bill be withdrawn.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of Bill (No. 110), To amend the Public Schools Act, having been read,

Ordered, That the Order be discharged, and that the Bill be withdrawn.

The House then adjourned at 5.25 p.m.

Thursday, 23rd February, 1899.

3 O'CLOCK P.M.

PRAYERS.

Mr. Speaker informed the House, That he had received from the Judges selected for the trial of Election Petitions pursuant to the Controverted Elections Act of Ontario, their Certificates and Reports relating to Elections for the Electoral Districts of :—

The East Riding of Lambton, and

The South Riding of Grey.

The several Certificates and Reports were then read by the Clerk at the Table, as follows :—

IN THE COURT OF APPEAL FOR ONTARIO.

THE ONTARIO CONTROVERTED ELECTIONS ACT.

Election of a Member for the Electoral District of the South Riding in the County of Grey, holden on the 22nd day of February and the 1st day of March A.D., 1898.

Between

Thomas Hanson,
Petitioner,
and
David Jamieson,
Respondent.

The undersigned, two of the Justices on the Rota for the trial of Election Petitions under the said Act, do hereby certify as follows:—

1. That on the fourteenth day of November, A.D. 1898, we duly held a Court for the trial of and did try the Election Petition between the said parties relating to the said election, at the City of Toronto, in the County of York, at which place the said Petition was ordered to be tried pursuant to section 40 of the said Act.
2. That at the said trial no evidence was offered in support of the said petition, and we accordingly dismissed the same and held that the respondent had been duly elected and returned as member for the said Electoral District.

And we report:—

- (1) That charges of corrupt practices were made in the said petition, but no particulars of corrupt practices were delivered or filed in support of the Petition and no corrupt practice has been proved to have been committed by or with the knowledge and consent of either of the candidates at the said Election.
- (2) There is no reason to believe from anything which has appeared before us that corrupt practices have extensively prevailed at the said election.
- (3) We dismissed the said petition because no evidence was offered in support thereof, and made no order as to costs because the respondent did not ask for costs.

F. OSLER,
THOMAS FERGUSON.

To the Honourable the Speaker of the Legislative Assembly, Toronto.

IN THE COURT OF APPEAL FOR ONTARIO.

THE ONTARIO CONTROVERTED ELECTIONS ACT.

Election of a member for the Electoral District of the East Riding of the County of Lambton, holden on the 22nd day of February and the 1st day of March, A.D. 1898.

Between

Allan McPherson,
Petitioner,

and

Henry John Pettypiece,
Respondent.

The undersigned two of the Justices on the Rota for the trial of Election Petitions under the said Act do hereby certify as follows:—

1. That on the fourth, fifth and sixth days of October, 1898, at the town of Sarnia in the County of Lambton, and on the fifteenth day of October and fourteenth day of November, 1898, at the City of Toronto in the County of York, we duly held a Court for the trial of and did then and there try the election petition between the above named parties relating to the said election.

2. That at the said trial we found and determined that the said Henry John Pettypiece was duly elected and returned as the member for the said Electoral District and we therefore dismissed the said petition.

3. We report:—

(1) That corrupt practices are charged in the said petition and numerous particulars of the same were filed and delivered, but that on the trial of the said petition no corrupt practices were proved before us to have been committed at the said election by or with the knowledge and consent of either of the candidates at the said Election.

(2) That there was no evidence that corrupt practices extensively prevailed at the said election.

(3) That during the course of the trial at Sarnia it was proved that a person unknown and whose name could not be ascertained during the trial had given to certain voters named, Allan Cameron, Robert Douglas and W. A. Rae or Wray, then residing in the City of Toronto, and attending College there, their railway tickets or their railway fares from Toronto to the place in the said Riding at or near which their polling subdivision in the said East Riding was situate.

All the other charges investigated during the course of the trial at Sarnia failed and were dismissed.

4. That the said trial was adjourned from the said town of Sarnia to the said City of Toronto to enable further enquiries to be made, and an application was made to give further evidence as to the furnishing of railway tickets or fares to the said persons and other persons and as to the person by whom they were so given.

5. That on the last day on which the said case came on for trial in Toronto the Petitioner's counsel stated that he did not press the application for leave to give further evidence, or for further adjournment to give other evidence on the charges then standing.

6. Counsel for the Respondent thereupon stated that he was not instructed to ask for costs, and the petition was accordingly for that reason dismissed without costs.

F. OSLER,
THOMAS FERGUSON.

To the Honorable the Speaker of the Legislative Assembly of the Province of Ontario.

Ordered, That the foregoing Certificates and Reports be entered on the Journals of this House.

The following Petitions were severally brought up and laid upon the Table :—

By Mr. Farwell, the Petition of the Township Council of the United Townships of Johnson, Tarbut and Tarbut Additional.

By Mr. German, the Petition of E. A. Macdonald and others; also, the Petition of Charles Miller and others, all of Toronto.

By Mr. Malcolm, the Petition of the Township Council of Huron.

By Mr. Brown, the Petition of the Palmerston Pork Packing Company, Limited.

By Mr. Dickenson, the Petition of the Hamilton, Chedoke and Ancaster Electric Railway Company, Limited.

By Mr. Barr, two Petitions of the County Council of Dufferin.

The following Petitions were read and received :—

Of the Town Council of Midland, praying that an Act may pass to enable the Corporation to grant a bonus to the Canada Iron Furnace Company, Limited.

Of the Canada Iron Furnace Company, Limited, praying that an Act may pass to enable the Town of Midland to grant them a bonus.

Of Paul Weidace and others of Port Arthur, praying that an Act may pass to incorporate the Nipigon Electric Railway Company.

Of Alfred Wilson and others of Toronto, praying that an Act may pass to incorporate the North Lanark Railway Company.

Of George Gooderham of Toronto, praying that an Act may pass to enable the trustee, under the settlement upon the marriage of the late Mildred and John Raymond, to sell certain lands and to give a title thereto.

Of the City Council of Toronto, praying that an Act may pass to enable the City to operate a ferry between the Queen's Wharf and Island.

Of the County Council of Essex, praying certain amendments to the Assessment Act, respecting sales for arrears of taxes.

Of the City Council of Windsor, praying for certain amendments to the Assessment Act, respecting the assessment of poles, wires, etc.

Of the County Council of Victoria, praying for the restoration of Primary Examinations and the granting of Primary Certificates.

Of the Aylmer Collegiate Institute Board, praying certain amendments to the High Schools Act, respecting the statutory provisions for county aid.

Of the County Council of Essex, praying certain amendments to the Municipal Act, respecting the establishment of free markets for farm produce.

Of the County Council of Essex, praying certain amendments to the Jurors Act, respecting the cost of selection of Jurors.

Of the Township Council of South Grimsby, praying certain amendments to the Municipal Act, respecting High Schools.

Of the County Council of Bruce, praying certain amendments to the Municipal Act, respecting the purchase of land for the interment of indigent persons.

Mr. McKay, from the Standing Committee on Standing Orders, presented their Eighth Report which was read as follows and adopted :—

The Committee have carefully examined the following Petitions and find the notices as published in each case sufficient :—

Of the Town Council of Sarnia, praying that an Act may pass to authorize the consolidation of the debenture debt of the Town.

Of the Incorporated Synod of the Diocese of Toronto, praying that an Act may pass empowering the Bishop of the Diocese to suspend or remove an incumbent of any Rectory or Mission where the interests of the Church require such removal.

Of the County Council of York, praying that an Act may pass to legalize By-law No. 740 relating to the Kingston Road.

Of the Town Council of Niagara Falls, praying that an Act may pass to legalize and confirm By-law No. 401 respecting taxes of the Canada Southern Railway Company and other Railway Companies.

Of the Town Council of Kincardine, praying that an Act may pass to legalize and confirm By-law No. 392 in aid of certain manufactures.

Of the Trustees of Knox Church, Toronto, praying that an Act may pass to authorize them to sell and dispose of the site of the Church and purchase a new site.

Of the Town Council of Cobourg, praying that an Act may pass to encourage the building of summer hotels and for other purposes.

Of the Town Council of Port Arthur, praying that an Act may pass to legalize and confirm By-law No. 510 and for other purposes.

Of A. M. Stewart and others of Osgoode, praying that an Act may pass to amend the Act incorporating the Osgoode Cemetery.

Of the Village Council of Merrickville, praying that an Act may pass to authorize the appropriation to other purposes of certain moneys levied on account of a bonus granted to the Kingston, Smith's Falls and Ottawa Railway Company.

The Committee recommend that Rule No. 51 of this Honourable House be further suspended in this that the time for receiving Petitions for Private Bills be further extended until and inclusive of Tuesday the 28th day of February instant, and the time for introducing Private Bills be further extended until and inclusive of Thursday the 2nd day of March next.

Mr. McKay, from the Standing Committee on Standing Orders presented their Ninth Report which was read as follows and adopted :—

The Committee have carefully examined the Petition of the Town Council of Brampton, praying that an Act may pass to consolidate the floating indebtedness of the Town, and find that notice of the proposed application to this Legislature was published in the "Ontario Gazette" on the 4th, 11th and 18th days of February instant, that the notice also appeared in the "Peel Banner" on the 8th and 15th days of February instant, in "The Conservator" on the 7th, 10th, 14th and 17th days of February instant and in the "Brampton Times" on the 10th and 17th days of February instant, and a declaration filed before the Committee states that instructions have been given to continue the publication for six consecutive weeks in each newspaper.

The Committee have also had filed before them a copy of a poster setting forth the intention of the Petitioners to apply for such legislation and a declaration shewing that 100 of these posters have been posted in the most conspicuous places in the Town of Brampton.

The Committee are of the opinion that by the publication of notice as aforesaid all parties interested have had ample opportunity of becoming aware of the proposed legislation and would therefore recommend the suspension of the Rule requiring six weeks notice in this case and that the notices as published be held sufficient.

Mr. Gibson, from the Standing Committee on Private Bills, presented their Third Report, which was read as follows and adopted :—

The Committee have carefully considered Bill (No. 15), "An Act to confirm By law No. 467 of the Town of Prescott," and Bill (No. 22), "An Act respecting the Hamilton Young Women's Christian Association and Technical Institute," and report the same with amendments.

The Committee have also amended the preambles to the Bills Nos 15 and 22 respectively, so as to make the same conform with the facts as they appear to the Committee.

The Committee recommend that the fees, less the actual cost of printing, be remitted on Bill (No. 22), on the ground that the Bill relates to a benevolent institution.

The Committee also recommend that Rule No. 51 of this Honourable House be suspended in this, that the time for presenting Petitions for Private Bills be further extended until and inclusive of Tuesday, the 28th day of February instant, and that the time for introducing Private Bills be further extended until and inclusive of Thursday, the 2nd day of March next.

Ordered, That the time for presenting Petitions for Private Bills be further extended until and inclusive of Tuesday, the 28th day of February instant, and that the time for introducing Private Bills be extended until and inclusive of Thursday, the 2nd day of March next.

Ordered, That the fees, less the actual cost of printing, be remitted on Bill (No. 22), Hamilton Young Women's Christian Association.

The following Bills were severally introduced and read the first time:—

Bill (No. 72), intituled "An Act respecting the Village of Merrickville."—Mr. Joynt.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 75), intituled "An Act respecting the Town of Niagara Falls."—Mr. German.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 81), intituled "An Act respecting the Incorporated Synod of the Diocese of Toronto."—Mr. Pyne.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 85), intituled "An Act to enable the Town of Cobourg to encourage the building of a Summer Hotel and to grant a bonus to the proprietor of the Cobourg Woollen Mills and to confirm a certain agreement relating thereto."—Mr. Clarke.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 64), intituled "An Act to consolidate the floating debt of the Town of Brampton."—Mr. Smith.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 45), intituled "An Act to confirm By-law No. 740 of the County of York."—Mr. Richardson.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 50), intituled "An Act authorizing the sale of Knox Church, Toronto."—Mr. Crawford.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 46), intituled "An Act respecting the Town of Port Arthur."—Mr. Conmee.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 70), intituled "An Act respecting the Town of Kincardine."—Mr. Malcolm.
Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 51), intituled "An Act respecting the debenture debt of the Town of Sarnia."—Mr. Pardee.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 65), intituled "An Act to amend the Act to enable the trustees of the Canada Presbyterian Church, in Osgoode, to convey parts of the church lands to other trustees for a burial ground."—Mr. Guiborl.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 150), intituled "An Act to amend the Assessment Act."—Mr. McLaughlin.
Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Monday next.

Bill (No. 151), intituled "An Act to amend the Municipal Act."—Mr. Graham.
Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Monday next.

The Order of the Day for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Motion, "That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair," having been read,

The Debate was resumed,

And, after some time, it was

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned until To morrow.

Mr. Davis presented to the House by command of His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor :—

Report of the Inspector of Division Courts for the year 1898. (*Sessional Papers, No. 7.*)

Also—Report of the Commissioner of Public Works. (*Sessional Papers, No. 9.*)

Also—Report upon the Lunatic and Idiot Asylums of the Province for the year 1898. (*Sessional Papers, No. 11.*)

Also—Report of work under the Children's Protection Act for the year 1898. (*Sessional Papers, No. 17.*)

Also—Report of the Master of Titles for the year 1898. (*Sessional Papers No 59.*)

Also—Report of the Principal of Upper Canada College for the year ending 30th June, 1898, and statements shewing receipts and disbursements for the same period. (*Sessional Papers, No. 60.*)

Also—Contract, between Her Majesty the Queen and the Riordan Paper Company, for the supply of printing paper required by the Government of the Province of Ontario. (*Sessional Papers, No. 61.*)

Also—Return to an Order of the House of the 17th day of August, 1898, for a Return, showing the number of saw-logs cut during the winter of 1897-1898 on the

limits of the Georgian Bay and on Lakes Huron and Superior, which were driven to either of said lakes ; the quantity cut in Provincial mills, and the quantity of exported uncut. (*Sessional Papers, No. 62.*)

The House then adjourned at 6 p.m.

Friday, 24th February, 1899.

PRAYERS.

3 O'CLOCK P.M.

The following Petitions were severally brought up and laid upon the Table :—

By Mr. Pattullo, the Petition of the Canadian Historical Society.

By Mr. Stratton, the Petition of the Town Council of Peterborough.

By Mr. Malcolm, the Petition of Alexander Ross and others of Kincardine.

By Mr. Barr, the Petition of W. L. Walsh and others of Mono ; also, the Petition of John Park and others of Dufferin.

The following Petitions were read and received :—

Of the Town Council of Mattawa ; also, of the Township Council of Papineau ; also, of H. Mooney of Mattawa ; also, of the Township Council of Calvin ; also, of the Township Council of Cameon ; also, of the Township Council of Mattawan ; also, of the Town Council of Lindsay ; also, of J. Graham of Lindsay, severally praying that an Act may pass to incorporate the Haliburton, Whitney and Mattawa Railway Company.

Of the Town Council of Owen Sound, praying that an Act may pass to legalize and confirm By-law No. 880.

Of the Village Council of Winchester, praying that an Act may pass to enable the Corporation to exempt from taxation, for twenty years, a pork packing industry.

Of the County Council of Dufferin, praying certain amendments to the Assessment Act, respecting a three years assessment.

Of the County Council of Dufferin, praying certain amendments to the Elections Act, respecting the custody of Voters Lists.

Of the Township Council of Whitchurch ; also, of the Township Council of Scarboro, severally praying that county councils be not given the control of railways within their limits.

Mr. Gibson from the Standing Committee on Private Bills presented their Fourth Report, which was read as follows and adopted :—

The Committee have carefully considered Bill (No. 13), "An Act respecting the Township of Madoc." Bill (No. 17), "An Act respecting the debt of the Village of

"Madoc" Bill (No. 35), "An Act to authorize the Town of Goderich to borrow \$25,000." And Bill (No. 37), "An Act respecting the debenture indebtedness of the Village of Blyth," and report the same with amendments.

The Committee have also carefully considered Bill (No. 31), "An Act respecting the Town of Goderich and the Goderich Elevator and Transit Co., Limited," and report the same without amendment.

The Committee have also amended the preambles to the said Bills Nos. 13, 17, 35 and 37, so as to make the same conform with the facts as they appear to the Committee.

The following Bills were severally introduced and read the first time :—

Bill (No. 152), intituled "An Act to amend the Municipal Act."—Mr. German.
Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Wednesday next.

Bill (No. 153), intituled "An Act to amend the Voter's Lists Act."—Mr. Hill.
Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Wednesday next.

Bill (No. 154), intituled "An Act to amend the Act respecting the Office of Sheriff."—Mr. Hill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Wednesday next.

Mr. Davis presented to the House by command of His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor :—

Report of the Commissioners of the Queen Victoria Niagara Falls Park for the year 1898. (*Sessional Papers No. 34.*)

The House then adjourned at 4 p.m.

Monday, February 27th, 1899.

3 o'CLOCK P.M.

PRAYERS.

The following Petitions were severally brought up and laid upon the Table :—

By Mr. Pattullo, the Petition of Bean & Westlake and others of Woodstock.

By Mr. Conmee, the Petition of the Town Council of Fort William.

By Mr. Lumsden, the Petition of the City Couczil of Ottawa.

By Mr. Farwell, the Petition of the Town Council of Sault Ste. Marie, and the Lake Superior Power and other companies.

The following Petitions were read and received :—

Of Charles Miller and others of Toronto, praying that an Act may pass to incorporate the Toronto Elevated Railway Company.

Of E. A. Macdonald and others of Toronto, praying that an Act may pass to amend and interpret certain sections of the conditions of sale of the Street Railway Franchise of the City of Toronto.

Of the Hamilton, Chedoke and Ancaster Electric Street Railway Company, Limited, praying that an Act may pass to change the name of the company to that of the Hamilton, Ancaster and Brantford Railway, and for other purposes.

Of the Palmerston Pork Packing Company, Limited, praying that an Act may pass permitting the company to issue bonds, and for other purposes.

Of the Township Council of the United Townships of Johnson, Tarbut and Tarbut Additional, praying that an Act may pass to change the name of the Township of Coffin to that of Aberdeen.

Of the Township Council of Huron, praying certain amendments to the Municipal Act, respecting the establishment of free markets.

Of the County Council of Dufferin, praying certain amendments to the Jurors Act, respecting the cost of selection of Jurors.

Of the County Council of Dufferin, praying certain amendments to the License Act, respecting the power of commissioners to grant extra licenses.

The following Bills were severally introduced and read the first time :—

Bill (No. 155), intituled "An Act to amend the Municipal Act."—Mr. Matheson.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Wednesday next.

Bill (No. 156), intituled "An Act to amend the Election Act."—Mr. Whitney.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Wednesday next.

Bill (No. 157), intituled "An Act to amend the Municipal Act."—Mr. Macnish.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Wednesday next.

Bill (No. 158) intituled "An Act to amend the Municipal Act."—Mr. Macnish.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Wednesday next.

The following Bills were severally read the second time :—

Bill (No. 14), Respecting By-law No. 109 of the Town of Welland.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House on Wednesday next.

Bill (No. 9), Respecting the Church of the Holy Trinity, Toronto.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House on Wednesday next.

Bill (No. 41), To consolidate certain debts of the Town of Simcoe.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House on Wednesday next.

Bill (No. 15), To confirm By law No. 467 of the Town of Prescott.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House on Wednesday next.

On motion of Mr. Fox, seconded by Mr. Hoyle,

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, praying that he will cause to be laid before this House, a Return of copies of all correspondence between the Government or any member thereof, and the Corporation of the Town of Lindsay, with reference to the appointment of a Police Magistrate and the salary to be paid him. Also, copy of Order in Council appointing Police Magistrate at Lindsay.

The following Bills were severally read the second time :—

Bill (No. 100), To amend the Municipal Act.

Referred to the Municipal Committee.

Bill (No. 127), To amend the Municipal Act.

Referred to the Municipal Committee.

Mr. Davis presented to the House by command of His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor :—

Report of the Inspector of Insurance, and Registrar of Friendly Societies for the year 1898. (*Sessional Papers No. 10.*)

Also—Report relating to the Registration of Births, Marriages and Deaths, for the year 1897. (*Sessional Papers No. 32.*)

The House then adjourned at 4.10 p.m.

Tuesday, 28th February, 1899.

3 O'CLOCK P.M.

PRAYERS.

The following Petitions were severally brought up and laid upon the Table :—

By Mr. Lumsden, six Petitions of the City Council of Ottawa.

By Mr. Barr, the Petition of the Reverend John A. Trollope and others of Dufferin.

By Mr. Boyd, the Petition of the Town Council of Owen Sound.

By Mr. Pardee, the Petition of the Ontario Lands and Oil Company, Limited.

The following Petitions were read and received :—

Of Alexander Ross and others of Kincardine, praying that the Bill before the House respecting the Town of Kincardine may not pass.

Of the Ontario Historical Society, praying that an Act may pass to incorporate them.

Of the Town Council of Peterborough, praying that an Act may pass to legalize and confirm certain By-laws relating to the William Hamilton Manufacturing Company.

Of John Park and others of Dufferin; also, of W. L. Walsh and others of Mono, severally praying that the Bill before the House respecting the Ontario Veterinary Association may not pass as at present framed.

Mr. McKay from the Select Standing Committee on Standing Orders presented their Tenth Report, which was read as follows and adopted:—

The Committee have carefully examined the following Petitions and find the notices as published in each case sufficient:—

Of Horatio C. Crease of Barrie, praying that an Act may pass to authorize the Royal College of Dental Surgeons to admit him as a licentiate of Dental Surgery.

Of Alfred Wilson and others of Toronto, praying that an Act may pass to incorporate the North Lanark Railway Company.

Of the Town Council of Orillia, praying that an Act may pass to enable the Corporation to increase the Debenture debt for Electric Light and other purposes.

Of Edward V. Douglas and others of Philadelphia, in the State of Pennsylvania, U.S.A., praying that an Act may pass to incorporate the Algoma Central Railway Company.

Of Edward V. Douglas and others of Philadelphia in the State of Pennsylvania, U.S.A., praying that an Act may pass to incorporate the Nickel Range Railway Company.

Of George Gooderham of Toronto, praying that an Act may pass to enable the Trustee under the settlement upon the marriage of the late Mildred and John Raymond to sell certain lands and give a title thereto.

Of the Canadian Colored Cotton Mills Company, Limited, praying that an Act may pass to legalize and confirm a certain By-law of the Town of Cornwall.

Of the City Council of Toronto, praying that an Act may pass to enable the City to operate a Ferry between the Queen's Wharf and the Island.

Of the Town Council of Whitby, praying that an Act may pass to confirm By-law No. 559 in aid of certain manufactures.

Of the Town Council of Midland, praying that an Act may pass to enable the Corporation to grant a bonus to the Canada Iron Furnace Company, Limited.

Of E. A. Macdonald and others of Toronto, praying that an Act may pass to amend and interpret certain sections of the conditions of sale of the Street Railway Franchise of the City of Toronto.

Of the Hamilton, Chedoke, and Ancaster Street Railway Company, praying that an Act may pass to change the name of the Company to the Hamilton, Ancaster and Brantford Railway Company; and for other purposes.

Of the St. Catharines Water Works Commission, praying that an Act may pass to revise and consolidate the Acts relating to the Commission.

Of the Village Council of Winchester, praying that an Act may pass to enable the Corporation to exempt from taxation for twenty years, a pork packing industry.

Of the Town Council of Owen Sound, praying that an Act may pass to legalize and confirm By-law No. 880.

Of the Town Council of Leamington, praying that an Act may pass to consolidate their debt.

The Committee recommend that Rule No. 51 of this Honourable House be further suspended in this that the time for receiving Petitions for Private Bills be further extended until and inclusive of Thursday the 2nd day of March next, and that the time for introducing Private Bills be further extended until and inclusive of Tuesday the 7th day of March next.

Mr. McKay, from the Standing Committee on Standing Orders, presented their Eleventh Report, which was read as follows and adopted :—

The Committee have carefully examined the Petition of Charles Miller and others of Toronto, praying that an Act may pass to incorporate the Toronto Elevated Railway Company and find that notice of the proposed application to this Legislature has been inserted for the space of six weeks in the "Ontario Gazette" and "The Weekly Sun," this latter being a newspaper published in the City of Toronto.

The Committee also find that the petition and notice both ask "to construct and "operate a system of elevated railways in the City of Toronto and adjoining municipalities, and also in conjunction therewith a system of surface street railways in the City "of Toronto and other municipalities within a radius of fifty miles of the said city," as this would authorize them to construct works outside of the County of York and as notice of such intention is not given in any other newspaper than "The Weekly Sun," published in the said county, the committee recommend that the attention of the Railway Committee be directed to this matter and that the construction of the proposed railway be confined to the City of Toronto and the County of York.

Mr. Gilson, from the Standing Committee on Private Bills, presented their Fifth Report, which was read as follows and adopted :—

The Committee have carefully considered

Bill (No. 48), "An Act respecting the Town of Oshawa," and report the same without amendment.

The Committee have also considered

Bill (No. 63), "An Act to incorporate the Village of Sturgeon Point."

Bill (No. 57), "An Act to consolidate the debt of the Town of Collingwood."

Bill (No. 59), "An Act respecting the floating debt of the Town of Brockville"

Bill No. 21), "An Act to consolidate the debt of the Town of Mattawa," and Bill (No. 42), "An Act to incorporate the Toronto Hotel Company,"
And report the same with certain amendments thereto respectively.

The Committee have also amended the preambles to Bills Nos. 63, 57, 59, 21 and 42 respectively, so as to make the same conform with the facts as they appear to the Committee.

The Committee would also recommend that rule No. 51 of this Honourable House be suspended in this; that the time for presenting Petitions for Private Bills be further extended until and inclusive of Thursday, the 2nd day of March next, and that the time for introducing Private Bills to this Honourable House be further extended until and inclusive of Tuesday, the 7th day of March next.

Ordered, That the time for presenting Petitions for Private Bills be further extended until and inclusive of Thursday, the 2nd day of March next, and that the time for introducing Private Bills be further extended until and inclusive of Tuesday, the 7th day of March next.

The following Bills were severally introduced and read the first time:—

Bill (No. 90), intituled "An Act respecting the Village of Winchester"—Mr. Whitney.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 29), intituled "An Act respecting the Town of Orillia"—Mr. Miscombell.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 66), intituled "An Act to enable Horatio C. Crease to practise Dentistry"—Mr. Thompson.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 84), intituled "An Act to incorporate the North Lanark Railway Company"—Mr. Caldwell.

Referred to the Committee on Railways.

Bill (No. 142), intituled "An Act respecting the Hamilton, Chedoke and Ancaster Electric Railway Company, Limited"—Mr. Dickinson.

Referred to the Committee on Railways.

Bill (No. 79), intituled "An Act to consolidate the Debt of the Town of Leamington"—Mr. Auld.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 88), intituled "An Act respecting the Queen's Wharf in the City of Toronto"—Mr. Crawford.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 36), intituled "An Act to incorporate the Algoma Central Railway Company."—Mr. Farwell.

Referred to the Committee on Railways.

Bill (No. 82), intituled "An Act respecting the Corporation of the Town of Midland."—Mr. Miscampbell.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 58), intituled "An Act to incorporate the Nickel Range Railway Company."—Mr. Farwell.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 87), intituled "An Act respecting the Trusts under the Marriage Settlement of Milred Raymond and John Raymond."—Mr. Foy.

Referred to the Commissioners of Estate Bills.

Bill (No. 73), intituled "An Act confirming a certain By-law and Agreement of the Town of Cornwall."

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 86), intituled "An Act respecting the Town of Whitby."—Mr. Dryden.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 159), intituled "An Act to amend the Municipal Act."—Mr. Malcolm.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Friday next.

Bill (No. 160), intituled "An Act to amend the San Jose Scale Act."—Mr. Jessop.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Friday next.

Bill (No. 161), intituled "An Act to amend the Assessment Act."—Mr. Taylor.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Friday next.

Bill (No. 162), intituled "An Act to incorporate the Ontario Historical Society."—Mr. Pattullo.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Friday next.

Bill (No. 163), intituled "An Act to amend the Municipal Act."—Mr. McKay.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Friday next.

The Order of the Day for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Motion, "That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair," having been read,

The Debate was resumed,

And, after some time,

The Motion, having been again put, was carried on a division, and the House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee.

(In the Committee.)

Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty, for the services of 1899, the following sums :—

1. To defray the expenses of the Lieutenant-Governor's Office	\$3,780 00
2. To defray the expenses of the Executive Council and Attorney-General's Department	\$20,650 00
4. To defray the expenses of the Crown Lands Department	\$61,810 00
5. To defray the expenses of the Department of Public Works	\$18,750 00
15. To defray the expenses of the Supreme Court of Judicature	\$67,693 00
16. To defray the expenses of Surrogate Judges and Local Masters	\$21,026 00
17. To defray the expenses of Miscellaneous, Criminal and Civil Justice..	\$354,075 64

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; and Mr. Stratton reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions ; also, That the Committee had directed him to ask for leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the Report be received To-morrow.

Resolved, That the Committee have leave to sit again To-morrow.

Mr. Davis presented to the House by command of His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor :—

Report of the Provincial Board of Health for the year 1898. (*Sessional Papers*, No. 39.)

Also—Return to an Order of the House of the twenty-fourth day of August, 1898, for a Return of copies of all correspondence between any member of the Government or representative thereof, and any party or parties, respecting the purchase of any timber berth that may have been sold since March 1st, 1898. (*Sessional Papers*, No. 63.)

Also—Return to an Order of the House of the twenty-second day of February, instant, for a Return of copies of all correspondence between any member of the Government and the License Inspector for the County of Lincoln, and any other person or persons, referring to or respecting the alleged connection of the Inspector with the business of cigar manufacture. (*Sessional Papers*, No. 64.)

The House then adjourned at 6 p.m.

Wednesday, 1st March, 1899.

3 O'CLOCK P.M.

PRAYERS.

The following Petitions were severally brought up and laid upon the Table :—

By Mr. Gibson, the Petition of the Township Council of Luther.

By Mr. Powell, the Petition of St. Luke's General Hospital, Ottawa.

The following Petitions were read and received :—

Of the Town Council of Fort William, praying that an Act may pass to legalize and confirm By-law No. 151 *re* construction of Water Works.

Of the City Council of Ottawa, praying that an Act may pass authorizing the Council to extend the time limited by By-law No. 1,797 granting a bonus to the Ottawa and New York Railway Company.

Of the Town Council of Sault Ste. Marie ; the Lake Superior Power Company ; the Sault Ste. Marie Pulp and Paper Company ; the Tagona Water and Light Company ; Francis Hector Clergue of New York City, U.S.A., and Edward V. Douglas of Philadelphia, U.S.A., praying that an Act may pass to legalize and confirm a certain agreement between the parties and By-law No. 395 of the Town of Sault Ste. Marie, and to declare as duly closed certain portions of John and Portage Streets in the Town.

Of Messieurs. Bean & Westlake and others of Woodstock, praying that the Bill before the House relating to the Workmen's Compensation for Injuries Act may not pass, as at present framed.

Mr Gibson from the Standing Committee on Private Bills presented their Sixth Report, which was read as follows and adopted :—

The Committee have carefully considered

Bill (No. 50), "An Act authorizing the sale of Knox Church, Toronto," and

Bill (No. 72), "An Act respecting the Village of Merrickville."

And have made certain amendments thereto respectively.

The Committee have also amended the preamble to Bill (No. 50), so as to make the same conform with the facts as they appear to the Committee.

The Committee have also amended the Title to Bill (No. 50), so that the same now reads "An Act respecting Knox Church, Toronto."

The Committee recommend that the fees, less the actual cost of printing, be remitted on Bill (No. 50), on the ground that the same relates to a Religious Institution.

The Committee also recommend that the fees, less the actual cost of printing, be remitted on Bill (No. 10), An Act to amend the Acts respecting the Napanee River

Improvement Company and for other purposes, on the ground that the Bill has been withdrawn by the promoters thereof.

Ordered, That the fees, less the actual cost of printing, be remitted on Bill (No. 50), Knox Church, Toronto, and on Bill (No. 10), Respecting the Napanee River Improvement Company.

The following Bills were severally introduced and read the first time :—

Bill (No. 147), intituled “An Act to revise and consolidate the Acts respecting the Water Works Commission of the City of St. Catharines.”—Mr. Jessop.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 140), intituled “An Act to confirm By-law No. 880 of the Town of Owen Sound.”—Mr. Boyd.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 144), intituled “An Act to incorporate the Toronto Elevated Railway Company.”—Mr. German.

Referred to the Committee on Railways.

Bill (No. 145), intituled “An Act respecting the Toronto Railway Company.”—Mr. German.

Referred to the Committee on Railways.

Bill (No. 164), intituled “An Act respecting Brewers and Distillers and other Licenses.”—Mr. Harcourt.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Friday next.

Bill (No. 165), intituled “An Act to supplement the Revenues of the Province of Ontario.”—Mr. Harcourt.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Friday next.

The following Bill was read the second time :—

Bill (No. 97), To amend the Election Act.

Referred to the Legal Committee.

The House then adjourned at 6 p.m.

Thursday, 2nd March, 1899.

3 O'CLOCK P.M.

PRAYERS.

The following Petitions were severally brought up and laid upon the Table :—

By Mr. Stratton, the Petition of the Auburn Woollen Company and others of Peterborough.

By Mr. Brown, the Petition of J. A. Hood and others of Stratford.

By Mr. Holmes, the Petition of the Township Council of Rainham.

By Mr. Pattullo, the Petition of Eli Marshall and others of Woodstock.

By Mr. Carnegie, the Petition of the Township Council of Dysart.

By Mr. Ferguson, the Petition of John McVicar and others of Harwich ; also, the Petition of the Township Council of Zone.

By Mr. Russell, the Petition of the County Council of Hastings.

By Mr. Conmee, the Petition of George Hodder and others of Port Arthur.

By Mr. Malcolm, the Petition of the Town Council of Kincardine.

The following Petitions were read and received :—

Of the Ontario Lands and Oil Company, praying that an Act may pass granting power to the Company to carry on the business of distilling and refining oil, and for other purposes.

Of the Town Council of Owen Sound, praying that an Act may pass authorizing the Corporation to subscribe stock to the amount of \$100,000 in an Iron Smelting Company.

Of the City Council of Ottawa, praying certain amendments to the Coroner's Act respecting the cost of inquests.

Of the City Council of Ottawa, praying certain amendments to the Lord's Day Act, respecting the running of Street Cars on Sunday.

Of the City Council of Ottawa, praying certain amendments to the Municipal Act, respecting the Board of Control.

Of the City Council of Ottawa, praying certain amendments to the Municipal Act, respecting the term of office of Aldermen.

Of the City Council of Ottawa, praying certain amendments to the Municipal Act, respecting the regulation and license of the business of gift schemes and trading stamps.

Of the City Council of Ottawa, praying certain amendments to the Public Parks Act, respecting the term of office of Directors.

Of the Reverend John A. Trollope and others of Dufferin, praying that the Bill before the House respecting the Ontario Veterinary Association may not pass in its present form.

Mr. McKay from the Standing Committee on Standing Orders presented their Twelfth Report, which was read as follows and adopted :—

The Committee have carefully examined the following Petitions and find the notices as published in each case sufficient :—

Of the Town Council of Peterborough, praying that an Act may pass to confirm certain By-laws relating to the William Hamilton Manufacturing Company, Limited.

Of the City Council of Ottawa, praying that an Act may pass authorizing the Council to extend the time limited by By-law No. 1,797, granting a bonus to the Ottawa and New York Railway Company.

Of Francis Joseph Carman and others of Bothwell, praying that an Act may pass to incorporate the Carman Natural Gas Company of Ontario.

Mr. McKay from the Standing Committee on Standing Orders presented their Thirteenth Report, which was read as follows and adopted :—

The Committee have carefully examined the Petition of the Town Council of Fort William, praying that an Act may pass (1) To legalize and confirm By-law 151 authorizing the issue of debentures for the construction of Water Works for the Town. (2) To obtain relief from the operation of Sec. 73 of Cap. 14, 60 Vict., an amendment to the High Schools Act in so far as the same affects the Town of Fort William. (3) To provide for the qualification of members of Council for the Town of Fort William.

The Committee find that notice of the proposed application to this Legislature for legislation in connection with the 1st Section of the Petition appeared in the issues of the "Ontario Gazette" each week from the 17th day of December to the 25th day of February last; that the notice was amended in the "Ontario Gazette" in its issue of January 28th, Sections 2 and 3 being added thereto, and also another section asking for the legalization of a By-law respecting Water Works, Electric Lighting and Power, and the notice, as so amended, appeared in the "Gazette" weekly for the space of five weeks; that the notice was further amended in the issue of the "Gazette" on the 4th day of February by the addition of another section thereto empowering the Town of Fort William to assess and levy taxes on certain property belonging to the Town of Port Arthur in connection with the Street Railway, and, as amended, has appeared for four weeks.

The Committee have also had filed before them a Declaration setting forth that the first four sections of the notice appeared in the issues of "The Weekly Journal," a newspaper published in the Town of Fort William, on the following dates: January 21, 28, February 4, 11, 18, and will be continued in the issues of the 25th February and 4th March instant. No notice appears to have been given in the newspapers of the intention to apply for power to assess and levy taxes on certain property belonging to the Town of Port Arthur in connection with the Street Railway, but inasmuch as the Petition does not ask for this power, and the Committee are credibly informed that no legislation is sought this Session in this particular matter, they are of the opinion that sufficient notice has been given to the public of what is proposed.

Mr. Gibson from the Standing Committee on Private Bills, presented their Seventh report, which was read as follows and adopted:—

The Committee have carefully considered

Bill (No. 30), "An Act respecting certain By-laws concerning drainage in the Townships of Caledonia, Alfred and South Plantagenet, and report the same without amendment.

The Committee have also considered

Bill (No. 54), "An Act respecting the Town of Smith's Falls," and

Bill (No. 68), "An Act to incorporate the Toronto Western Hospital," and have made certain amendments thereto respectively.

The Committee have also amended the Preambles to the Bills Nos. 54 and 68, so as to make them conform with the facts as they appear to the Committee.

The Committee recommend that the fees, less the actual cost of printing, be remitted on Bill (No. 68), on the ground that the same relates to a charitable institution.

Ordered, That the fees, less the actual cost of printing, be remitted on Bill (No. 68), Toronto Western Hospital.

On motion of Mr. Stratton, seconded by Mr. McKay,

Ordered, That the several Sessional Papers presented to the Legislature in the August Session of 1898, numbering one, forty-two, forty-three, forty-four, forty-five, forty-six, forty-seven, forty-eight and forty-nine, be referred to the Printing Committee of the current Session for consideration and report as to advisability of printing the same.

The following Bills were severally introduced and read the first time:—

Bill (No. 148), intituled "An Act respecting By-law No. 1,797, of the City of Ottawa, and to authorize the Corporation of the City of Ottawa to raise a further sum of money upon the security of Lansdowne Park."—Mr. Lumsden.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 23), intituled "An Act incorporating the Carman Natural Gas Company of Ontario."—Mr. Pardee.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 143), intituled "An Act respecting the Town of Peterborough."—Mr. Stratton.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 83), intituled "An Act respecting the Town of Fort William, 1899."—Mr. Conmee.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 166), intituled "An Act to amend the Municipal Act."—Mr. Richardson,
Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Monday next.

Bill (No. 167), intituled "An Act to prevent the growth and cultivation of the Barbery Shrub."—Mr. Little.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Monday next.

Bill (No. 168), intituled "An Act to amend the Municipal Act, respecting tax exemptions."—Mr. Pattullo.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Monday next.

Bill (No. 169), intituled "An Act to amend the Municipal Act."—Mr. Stratton.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Monday next,

Bill (No. 170), intituled "An Act respecting Cycle Paths and Cycle Path Commissioners"—Mr. Stratton.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Monday next.

Mr. Pattullo moved, seconded by Mr. Lumsden,

That this House views with disfavor a tendency at the present time towards undue rivalry between municipalities in offering bonuses, loans or exemptions equivalent to bonuses or aid to manufacturing concerns, or other inducements of different kinds to secure their establishment or retention; and, that this House is further of opinion that the action of the Legislature in 1892—when by an amendment of the Municipal Act, the right of municipalities to grant bonuses to manufacturers was taken away—was entirely in harmony with public opinion and in the public interest.

That while cases of an exceptional nature may have arisen since the repeal of the said bonusing powers, justifying special legislation enabling municipalities to grant aid where disaster by fire has taken place, and possibly in other entirely exceptional cases, this House is of opinion that the door has been opened too wide, and that hereafter a discrimination should be exercised which will confine the granting of legislation to cases of such an undoubtedly exceptional nature as loss by fire, and that such special legislation shall not conflict with the spirit of these resolutions; and further, that such special legislation shall not confer power on any municipality, in the case of such industrial disasters, to grant relief by more than a limited loan or exemption from taxation for a period of years.

And, that this House is further of opinion that if in any such undoubtedly exceptional case special legislation should be granted, the requirements of the repeal provisions of the Municipal Amendment Act of 1888 should be insisted upon and that the Bill should contain, without modification, the following clause:—

"The vote of two thirds, in the affirmative, of the ratepayers who are entitled to vote upon any by-law granting aid to a manufactory or manufacturing establishment, or for lending money to such company, person or establishment shall be necessary in order

"to the carrying of the by-law for such loan or exemption from taxation, to an establishment destroyed by fire."

And a Debate having ensued, it was

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned until To-morrow.

The following Bills were severally read the second time :—

Bill (No. 94), Respecting Voters' Lists in Unorganized Territory.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 118), To improve the law respecting Public Schools.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 105), To amend the Municipal Act.

Referred to the Municipal Committee.

Bill (No. 120), To amend the Municipal Act.

Referred to the Municipal Committee.

Bill (No. 125), To prohibit voting by Ballot in Municipal Councils.

Referred to the Municipal Committee.

Bill (No 126), Respecting Cemetery Companies.

Referred to the Legal Committee.

Bill (No. 130), Respecting Sureties.

Referred to the Legal Committee.

Bill (No. 131), To amend the Municipal Act.

Referred to the Municipal Committee.

Bill (No. 138), To amend the Municipal Act.

Referred to the Municipal Committee.

Bill (No. 151), To amend the Municipal Act.

Referred to the Municipal Committee.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of Bill (No. 101), To regulate the overcrowding of Street Railway Cars, having been read,

Mr. Crawford moved,

That the Bill be now read the second time.

And a Debate having arisen upon a point of Order raised by the Attorney-General, that the Bill was in the nature of a Private Bill, and Mr. Speaker being requested to rule, said, that he would reserve his decision, and the Debate was accordingly adjourned until To-morrow.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of Bill (No. 116), To amend the Assessment Act having been read,

Mr. Joynt moved,

That the Bill be now read the second time.

And the Motion, having been put, was lost on a division.

The Order of the Day for the Second Reading of Bill (No. 135), To amend The Local Courts Act having been read,

Mr. Hoyle moved,

That the Bill be now read the second time,

And a Debate ensuing, it was

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned until To-morrow.

The House, according to Order, again resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(*In the Committee*).

Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty, for the services of 1899, the following sums :—

3. To defray the expenses of the Education Department	\$19,660 00
6. To defray the expenses of the Treasury Department.....	\$32,325 00
7. To defray the expenses of the Provincial Board of Health	\$7,800 00
8. To defray the expenses of the Provincial Secretary's Department	\$34,350 00
9. To defray the expenses of the Inspection of Public Institutions.....	\$15,450 00
10. To defray the expenses of the Insurance Branch	\$8,150 00
11. To defray the expenses of the Department of Agriculture	\$18,510 00
12. To defray the expenses of the Immigration Office	\$1,650 00
13. To defray Miscellaneous Expenses	\$9,750 00

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Stratton reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions; also, That the Committee had directed him to ask for leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the Report be received To morrow.

Resolved, That the Committee have leave to sit again To-morrow

Mr. Davis presented to the House by command of His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor :—

Auditor's Report to the Board of Trustees on Capital and Income Accounts, of the Toronto University, for the year ending the 30th June, 1898. (*Sessional Papers No. 50.*)

The House then adjourned at 10 55 p.m.

Friday, March 3rd, 1899.

3 O'CLOCK P.M.

PRAYERS.

Mr. Speaker informed the House

That the Clerk had received from the Judges appointed to inquire into and report on Estate Bills, their Report in the following case :—

Bill (No. 87), An Act respecting the Trusts under the Marriage Settlement of Mildred Raymond and John Raymond.

The Report was then read by the Clerk at the Table as follows :—

The undersigned two of the Commissioners of Estates Bills to whom was referred Bill (No. 87), an Act respecting the Trusts under the marriage settlement of Mildred Raymond and John Raymond, beg to report that, having perused the said Bill, they are of opinion, presuming the allegations contained in the preamble to be proved to the satisfaction of the House, it is reasonable that the said Bill do pass into law, and they are also of opinion that the provisions of the said Bill are proper for carrying its purposes into effect.

The undersigned have assumed that the statement of the preamble is intended to allege that no means exist of proving by testimony admissible in a Court of Law the contents of the marriage settlement, otherwise there would appear to be no sufficient reason assigned to justify the petitioners resorting to the Legislature instead of applying for relief to the legal tribunals of the Province.

W. R. MEREDITH, C.J.O.P.
JOHN E. ROSE, V.

Osgoode Hall, March 2nd, 1899.

Ordered, That Bill No. 87, Respecting the Marriage Settlement of Mildred Raymond and John Raymond be referred to the Committee on Private Bills with instructions to consider the same with reference to the suggestions of the Commissioners of Estates Bills thereon.

The following Petitions were severally brought up and laid upon the Table :—

By Mr. Garrow, the Petition of the County Council of Huron.

By Mr. German, the Petition of R. P. Slater and others of Niagara.

By Mr. Graham, the Petition of A. Perry and others of Brockville.

By Mr. Crawford, the Petition of the Ontario Lord's Day Alliance.

By Mr. Lucas, the Petition of J. Henderson and others of Toronto.

By Mr. Richardson, the Petition of the Village Council of East Toronto.

The following Petitions were read and received :—

Of St. Luke's General Hospital, Ottawa, praying that an Act may pass to amend their Act of incorporation.

Of the Township Council of West Luther, praying certain amendments to the Drainage Act, respecting the maintenance of drains.

Mr. Gibson from the Standing Committee on Private Bills presented their Eighth Report, which was read as follows and adopted :—

The Committee have carefully considered

Bill (No. 20), "An Act to authorize and confirm a deed of agreement between the Toronto General Trusts Company and the Trusts Corporation of Ontario, and to unite the said companies under the name of The Toronto General Trusts Corporation," and

Bill (No. 75), "An Act respecting the Town of Niagara Falls."

And have made certain amendments thereto respectively.

The Committee have also amended the preambles to the Bills Nos. 20 and 75, so as to make them conform with the facts as they appear to the Committee.

The Committee recommend that Rule No. 51 of this Honourable House be suspended in this that the time for receiving Reports from the Standing Committees on Private Bills be extended until and inclusive of Friday the 17th day of March instant.

Mr. Dryden from the Standing Committee on Railways presented their First Report, which was read as follows and adopted :—

The Committee have carefully considered Bill (No. 44), "An Act to incorporate the Bruce Mines and Algoma Railway Company," and have prepared certain amendments thereto.

The Committee recommend that Rule No. 51 of this Honourable House be further suspended in this that the time for receiving Reports of Committees on Private Bills be extended until and inclusive of Friday the 17th day of March instant.

Ordered, That the time for receiving Reports of Committees on Private Bills be extended until and inclusive of Friday the seventeenth day of March instant.

Mr. Stratton, from the Standing Committee on Printing, presented their First Report, which was read as follows:—

The Committee recommend that the following documents be printed:—

Public Accounts of the Province of Ontario for the year 1898. (*Sessional Papers, No. 3.*)

Estimates of the Province of Ontario for the year 1899. (*Sessional Papers, No. 4.*)

Report of the Inspector of Division Courts for the year 1898. (*Sessional Papers, No. 7.*)

Report on the working of the Tavern and Shop Licenses Act for 1898. (*Sessional Papers, No. 8.*)

Report of the Commissioner of Public Works for the year 1898. (*Sessional Papers, No. 9.*)

Report of the Inspector of Insurance and Registrar of Friendly Societies. (*Sessional Papers, No. 10.*)

Report of the Inspector of Prisons and Public Charities upon Lunatic and Idiot Asylums. (*Sessional Papers, No. 11.*)

Report of the Inspector of Prisons and Public Charities upon the education of the Blind. (*Sessional Papers, No. 15.*)

Report of the Inspector of Prisons and Public Charities upon the education of the Deaf and Dumb. (*Sessional Papers, No. 16.*)

Report of work under the Children's Protection Act. (*Sessional Papers, No. 17.*)

Report relating to Births, Marriages and Deaths in Province of Ontario. (*Sessional Papers, No. 32.*)

Report of the Provincial Board of Health for 1898. (*Sessional Papers, No. 39.*)

Resolved, That this House doth concur in the first Report of the Committee on Printing.

The following Bills were severally introduced and read the first time:—

Bill (No. 171), intituled "An Act to amend the Municipal Act."—Mr. Duff.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Wednesday next.

Bill (No. 172), intituled "An Act to amend the Municipal Act"—Mr. Conmee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Wednesday next.

Bill (No. 173), intituled "An Act to amend the Municipal Act."—Mr. Carnegie.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Wednesday next.

Bill (No. 174), intituled "An Act to amend the Act respecting Police Magistrates."—Mr. Fox.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Wednesday next.

Bill (No. 175), intituled "An Act to amend the Municipal Act."—Mr. Mutrie.
Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Wednesday next.

Bill (No. 176), intituled "An Act relating to the employment of Aliens on works carried on under franchises granted by Private Acts."—Mr. Wardell.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Wednesday next.

On motion of Mr. German, seconded by Mr. Conmee,

Resolved, That in the opinion of this House, the sole and exclusive right to the use of the waters of the Niagara River, within the limits of the Queen Victoria Niagara Falls Park (known as the Monopoly) under the agreement set out in Chap. 8 of 55 Victoria (Ontario), between the Commissioners for the said Park and Messieurs Shaw, Stetson and Rankine, or the Canadian Niagara Power Company, as provided by section 9 of the said agreement, should, as soon as it is legally possible, be forfeited and terminated upon default by the company in complying with sections 10 and 13 of said agreement, and that no performance of work, expenditure of money, or letting of contracts in part performance of the work to be done in generating electric power under said sections should be considered to save such forfeiture of said monopoly.

And this House is further of the opinion that it is desirable that the largest possible development of Niagara power shall be brought about at the earliest date possible.

The following Bills were severally read the second time :—

Bill (No. 155), To am nd the Municipal Act.

Referred to the Municipal Committee.

Bill (No. 157), To amend the Municipal Act.

Referred to the Municipal Committee.

Bill (No. 22), Respecting the Hamilton Young Women's Christian Association an d Technical Institute.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House on Monday next.

Bill (No. 13), Respecting the Township of Madoc.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House on Monday next.

Bill (No. 17), Respecting the Village of Madoc.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House on Monday next.

Bill (No. 35), To authorize the Town of Goderich to borrow \$25,000.00.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House on Monday next.

Bill (No. 37), Respecting the Debenture indebtedness of the Village of Blyth.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House on Monday next.

Bill (No. 31), Respecting the Town of Goderich.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House on Monday next.

Bill (No. 48), Respecting the Town of Oshawa.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House on Monday next.

Bill (No. 30), Respecting certain By-laws concerning Drainage in the Townships of Caledonia, Alfred and South Plantagenet.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House on Monday next.

Mr. Davis presented to the House by command of His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor :—

Report of the Minister of Education for the year 1898, with the Statistics of 1897.
(*Sessional Papers. No. 2*)

Also—Return to an Order of the House of the seventeenth day of February last, for a Return of copies of all papers and documents in relation to the proposed contract for public printing, including specifications, tenders and a comparative statement shewing the different tenders for each item of the specification and the estimate of quantities required. Also, the total estimated amount of each tender. Also, of copies of all correspondence, if any, between the Queen's Printer and the heads of Departments as to preparation of specifications for contract for public printing. Also, of all reports, if any, of expert printers as to details of said specifications and also of all other correspondence appertaining thereto, or to the letting of the contract or conditions required from the contractor. (*Sessional Papers No. 65.*)

The House then adjourned at 5.20 p.m.

Monday, March 6th, 1899.

3 O'CLOCK P.M.

PRAYERS.

The following Petitions were severally brought up and laid upon the Table :—

By Mr. Harcourt, the Petition of the Township Council of Gainsboro'.

By Mr. Foy, the Petition of the Toronto Social Reform League.

By Mr. Lucas, the Petition of C. W. Hartman and others of East Grey.

By Mr. Brower, the Petition of the Vienna Board of Education ; also, the Petition of R. N. Price and others of St. Thomas.

The following Petitions were read and received :—

Of the Township Council of Dysart, praying that an Act may pass to incorporate the Haliburton, Whitney and Mattawa Railway Company.

Of George Hodder and others of Port Arthur, praying that an Act may pass to incorporate the Thunder Bay and St. Joe Railway Company.

Of the Town Council of Kincardine, praying that Bill No. 93, relating to the County Councils Act, may not pass.

Of the County Council of Hastings, praying certain amendments to the Elections Act, respecting the custody of Voters' Lists.

Of John McVicar and others of Harwich, praying certain amendments to the Game Law, respecting the shooting of ducks.

Of the Township Council of Zone, praying certain amendments to the Game Law respecting notice to trespassers.

Of Eli Marshall and others of Woodstock, praying that all legislation presented by Municipalities for the legalization of bonus by-laws, may be rejected.

Of James Hood and others of Stratford, praying certain amendments to the Municipal Act, respecting the preferential vote.

Of the Township Council of Rainham, praying certain amendments to the Municipal Act, respecting the establishment of free markets for farm produce.

Of the Auburn Woollen Company and others of Peterborough, praying that the Bill before the House respecting the Workmen's Compensation for Injuries Act, may not pass.

The following Bills were severally introduced and read the first time:—

Bill (No. 177), intituled "An Act to amend the Municipal Act."—Mr. Garrow.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Wednesday next.

Bill (No. 178), intituled "An Act to amend the law respecting the liability of Trustees."—Mr. Garrow.

Ordered, that the Bill be read the second time on Wednesday next.

Bill (No. 179), intituled "An Act to amend the Act respecting Wages."—Mr Garrow.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Wednesday next.

Bill (No. 180), intituled "An Act respecting the closing and sale of disused Cemeteries owned by Municipalities."—Mr. Garrow.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Wednesday next.

The House resolved itself into a Committee, severally to consider the following Bills:—

Bill (No. 14), Respecting By-law No. 109 of the Town of Welland.

Bill (No. 9), Respecting the Church of the Holy Trinity, Toronto.

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- Bill (No. 41), To consolidate certain debts of the Town of Simcoe.
- Bill (No. 15), To confirm By-law No. 467 of the Town of Prescott.
- Bill (No. 35), To authorize the Town of Goderich to borrow \$25,000.00.
- Bill (No. 37), Respecting the debenture indebtedness of the Village of Blyth.
- Bill (No. 31), Respecting the Town of Goderich.
- Bill (No. 48), Respecting the Town of Oshawa.
- Bill (No. 30), Respecting certain By-laws concerning Drainage in the Townships of Caledonia, Alfred and South Plantagenet.
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Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; and Mr. Charlton reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the several Bills with certain amendments.

The Amendments, having been read the second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bills reported, be severally read the third time To-morrow.

The following Bills were severally read the second time :—

Bill (No. 63), To incorporate the Village of Sturgeon Point.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 57), To consolidate the Debt of the Town of Collingwood.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 59), Respecting the Floating Debt of the Town of Brockville.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 21), To consolidate the Debt of the Town of Mattawa.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 42), Respecting the Toronto Hotel Company.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 50), Respecting Knox Church, Toronto.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 72), Respecting the Village of Merrickville.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 54), Respecting the Town of Smith's Falls.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 68), To incorporate the Toronto Western Hospital.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 20), To authorize and confirm a deed of agreement between The Toronto General Trusts Company and the Trusts Corporation of Ontario, and to unite the said Companies under the name of The Toronto General Trusts Corporation.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 75), Repeating the Town of Niagara Falls.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 44), To incorporate the Bruce Mines and Algoma Railway Company.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

On motion of Mr. Reid (Addington), seconded by Mr. Little,

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return, shewing all fees paid to Alfred Stundem, a constable of the Town of Bracebridge, in connection with the enforcement of the Game Laws of the Province.

On motion of Mr. Pyne, seconded by Mr. Lucas,

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return, giving the number of circular letters, sent from the office of the Chief Game Warden, soliciting answers to a series of questions as to shooting deer while in the water. The names, addresses, occupations or professions of those to whom such circulars were addressed. Also, shewing the amount of money received from the sale of permits to kill deer during the season of 1898. Also, shewing balance left after paying salaries of Game Wardens, all expenses of offices and all moneys paid to or on behalf of Game and Fish Commissioners during the year 1898, in so far as the information is not contained in the Report of the Department.

On motion of Mr. Pyne, seconded by Mr. Lucas,

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return, giving the names, addresses, occupations or professions of all persons to whom permits were granted, during the year 1898, to collect birds, birds nests and eggs under provisions of the Act of 1889 for the protection of insectivorous and other birds. Also, of renewals and new permits which have been granted during the current year. Also, shewing number of convictions for violations of the Act during the year 1898, and specifying localities.

The House then adjourned at 4.55 p.m.

Tuesday, March 7th, 1899.

3 O'CLOCK P.M.

PRAYERS.

The following Petitions were severally brought up and laid upon the Table :—

By Mr. Stratton, two Petitions of the County Council of Peterborough.

By Mr. Macnish, two Petitions of the City Council of St. Thomas ; also, the Petition of P. Stewart and others of St. Thomas.

By Mr. Hoyle, the Petition of the Town Council of Uxbridge.

By Mr. Graham, the Petition of H. Shepherd and others of Brockville.

By Mr. Lumsden, the Petition of the Ottawa Trades and Labour Association ; also, the Petition of the Session of St. Paul's Presbyterian Church, Ottawa.

By Mr. Barr, the Petition of Samuel Platt and others of East Luther.

The following Petitions were read and received :—

Of the Ontario Lord's Day Alliance, praying that the Bill of the City of Ottawa relating to the running of street cars on Sunday, may not pass.

Of J. Henderson and others of Toronto, praying that section 4 of the Bill before the House, respecting the City of Toronto, may not pass.

Of R. P. Slater and others of Niagara, praying for the cancellation of the agreement with the Canadian Niagara Power Company, and for the right to use the waters of the Niagara River.

Of the County Council of Huron, praying certain amendments to the Election Act, respecting the custody of Voters' Lists.

Of A. Perry and others of Brockville, praying certain amendments to the Municipal Act, respecting the preferential vote.

Of the Village Council of East Toronto, praying that County Councils be not given the control of street railways within their limits.

Mr. Gibson, from the Standing Committee on Private Bills, presented their Ninth Report, which was read as follows and adopted :—

The Committee have carefully considered,

Bill (No. 29), "An Act respecting the Town of Orillia."

Bill (No. 64), "An Act to consolidate the floating debt of the Town of Brampton."

Bill (No. 66), "An Act to enable Horatio C. Crease to practise dentistry," and

Bill (No. 80), "An Act respecting the incorporated Synod of the Diocese of Toronto," and report the same with amendments respectively.

The Committee have also amended the preambles to Bills Nos. 29, 64, 66 and 80, so as to make them conform with the facts as they appear to the Committee.

The Committee recommend that the fees, less the actual cost of printing, be remitted on Bill (No. 80), on the ground that it relates to a Religious Institution.

The Committee recommend that Rule No. 51 of this Honourable House be further suspended in this, that the time for introducing Private Bills be further extended until and inclusive of Thursday the 9th day of March, instant.

Mr. Dryden, from the Standing Committee on Railways, presented their Second Report, which was read as follows and adopted :—

The Committee have carefully considered

Bill (No. 67), "An Act relating to the Sault Ste. Marie and Hudson's Bay Railway Company," and have amended the Preamble thereto, so as to make the same conform with the facts as they appear to the Committee, and have also prepared other amendments to the Bill.

The Committee recommend that Rule No. 51 of this Honourable House be further suspended in this, that the time for introducing Private Bills be further extended until and inclusive of Thursday the 9th day of March, instant.

Ordered, That the time for introducing Private Bills be extended until and inclusive of Thursday the 9th day of March, instant.

Ordered, That the fees, less the actual cost of printing, be remitted on Bill (No. 80), Synod of the Diocese of Toronto.

The following Bills were severally introduced and read the first time :—

Bill (No 181), intituled "An Act respecting Town Councils."—Mr. Smith.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Friday next.

Bill (No. 182), intituled "An Act to amend the Municipal Act."—Mr. Stratton.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Friday next.

Bill (No. 183), intituled "An Act to amend the Assessment Act"—Mr. Stratton.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Friday next.

Bill (No. 184), intituled "An Act to amend the Ditches and Watercourses Act."—Mr. McKay.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Friday next.

Bill (No. 185), intituled "An Act to amend the Street Railway Act."—Mr. Hill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Friday next.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 118), To improve the law respecting Public Schools, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Stratton reported, That the Committee had made some progress, and directed him to ask leave to sit again.

Resolved, That the Committee have leave to sit again To-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 94), Respecting Voters' Lists in Unorganized Territory, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Stratton reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

The following Bill was read the second time:—

Bill (No. 102), Further to improve the San José Scale Act.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

The House, according to Order, again resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(*In the Committee.*)

Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty, for the services of 1899, the following sums:—

18. To defray the expenses of Public and Separate Schools.....	\$455,017 35
19. To defray the expenses of Collegiate Insitutes and High Schools	\$115,050 00
20. To defray the expenses of the Museum and Library.....	\$7,800 00
21. To defray the expenses of the School of Practical Science	\$22,470 00
22. To defray the expenses of Public Libraries, Art Schools, Literary and Scientific	\$56,750 00
23. To defray Miscellaneous expenses of Education	\$12,475 00
24. To defray the expenses of Superannuated Teachers	\$61,300 00
25. To defray the expenses of the Asylum for the Insane, Toronto	\$98,639 00
26. To defray the expenses of the Asylum for the Insane, London	\$129,312 00
27. To defray the expenses of the Asylum for the Insane, Kingston	\$73,544 00
28. To defray the expenses of the Asylum for the Insane, Hamilton	\$119,033 00
29. To defray the expenses of the Branch Asylum at Mimico	\$75,682 00
30. To defray the expenses of the Asylum for the Insane, Brockville	\$65,297 00
31. To defray the expenses of the Asylum for Idiots, Orillia.....	\$56,948 00
32. To defray the expenses of Central Prison, Toronto	\$60,250 00
33. To defray the expenses of the Reformatory for Boys, Penetanguishene	\$26,960 00
34. To defray the expenses of the Institution for the Deaf and Dumb, Belleville	\$44,646 00
35. To defray the expenses of the Institution for the Blind, Brantford ...	\$32 600 00
36. To defray the expenses of the Andrew Mercer Reformatory, Toronto.	\$22,175 00
37. To defray the expenses of Immigration.....	\$7,075 00

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; and Mr. Stratton reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions ; also, That the Committee had directed him to ask for leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the Report be received To-morrow.

Resolved, That the Committee have leave to sit again To-morrow.

The House then adjourned at 10 p.m.

Wednesday, 8th March, 1899.

3 O'CLOCK P.M.

PRAYERS.

The following Petitions were severally brought up and laid upon the Table :—

By Mr. Dryden, the Petition of the Town Council of Oshawa ; also, the Petition of the Township Council of Pickering ; also, two Petitions of the Township Council of East Whitby ; also, the Petition of the Township Council of Whitby ; also the Petition of the Township Council of Scugog ; also, the Petition of the Township Council of Reach.

By Mr. Powell, the Petition of J. M. Macoun and others of Ottawa.

By Mr. Macnish, the Petition of John Collinson and others of St. Thomas.

By Mr. Hoyle, two Petitions of the Township Council of Mara ; also, the Petition of the Village Council of Cannington ; also, the Petition of the Village Council of Beaverton ; also, the Petition of the Township Council of Thorah.

By Mr. Miscampbell, the Petition of the Orillia Branch of the Church of England Temperance Society.

By Mr. Joynt, the Petition of the Reverend Father McDonald and others of Kemptville.

The following Petitions were read and received :—

Of the Vienna Board of Education, praying certain amendments to the High Schools Act, respecting county aid.

Of the Township Council of Gainsboro', praying certain amendments to the Municipal Act, respecting free markets for farm produce.

Of the Toronto Social Reform League ; also, of C. W. Hartman and others of East Grey ; also, of R. N. Price and others of St. Thomas, severally praying certain amendments to the Municipal Act, respecting the Hare-Spence Quota System of Voting.

Mr. McKay, from the Standing Committee on Standing Orders, presented their Fourteenth Report, which was read as follows and adopted :—

The Committee have carefully examined the following Petitions and find the notices as published in each sufficient :—

Of the London Young Mens' Christian Association, praying that an Act may pass to incorporate them.

Of Paul Weidace and others of Port Arthur, praying that an Act may pass to incorporate the Nipigon Electric Railway.

Of the Ontario Lands and Oil Company, Limited, praying that an Act may pass granting power to the Company to carry on the business of distilling and refining oils and for other purposes.

Of the Palmerston Pork Packing Company, Limited, praying that an Act may pass permitting the Company to issue bonds, and for other purposes.

Of the Village Council of Exeter, praying that an Act may pass to legalize and confirm a certain By-law, *re Assessment of farm lands.*

Of the London Street Railway Company, praying that an Act may pass to legalize and confirm By-laws No 1,010 and 1,025 of the City and the agreements therein referred to, and certain other Township By-laws of Westminster and London.

Mr. McKay, from the Standing Committee on Standing Orders, presented their Fifteenth Report which was read as follows and adopted :—

The Committee have carefully examined the Petition of St. Luke's General Hospital of Ottawa, praying that an Act may pass to amend their Act of incorporation and find that notice of the proposed application to this Legislature appeared in the "Evening Citizen," "The Ottawa Evening Journal" and "The Ottawa Daily Free Press" in their issues of the 28th day of February last but that no such notice has appeared in the "Ontario Gazette."

The Committee however, finding that the Petition simply asks for the passing of an Act making further provision for "Founders of the Hospital" and "Life Governors" consider that no public or private rights could be injuriously affected thereby, and therefore recommend the suspension of the Rule requiring six weeks notice in this case, and find the notices as published sufficient.

Mr. McKay, from the Standing Committee on Standing Orders, presented their Sixteenth Report, which was read as follows and adopted :—

The Committee have carefully examined the Petition of Town Council of Sault Ste. Marie, The Lake Superior Power Company, The Sault Ste. Marie Pulp and Paper Company and Tagona Water and Light Company, and others praying that an Act may pass to legalize a certain Agreement and By-law and find that Notice of the proposed Bill

tion to this Legislature was published in the "Ontario Gazette" in its issue of March 4th, and in the "Sault Express" in its issue of March 3rd, and a declaration produced shews that instructions have been given the publisher of the last named paper to insert the notice in six consecutive issues of said paper.

The Committee have had produced before them Declarations of the Mayor of the Town of Sault Ste. Marie, of the Town Solicitor, and of the President of the Sault Ste. Marie Pulp and Paper Company and Tagona Water and Light Company, and Vice-President of The Lake Superior Power Company, shewing that it was only on the 24th day of February last that the Agreement was finally arrived at, and the By-law passed by the Council on the same day; the declaration of the Mayor further sets forth, that he "verily believes that a very large majority of the ratepayers of the Town strongly favor "the entering into the said Agreement by the said corporation" and "that the matters contained in the said Agreement have been publicly discussed by the ratepayers of the town "for the past two weeks or more and public opinion in the said town has been very favorable thereto," and further, that "at the meeting of the Council at which the said Agreement was accepted on the 24th day of February, 1899, full opportunity was given to "the ratepayers to present their views on the subject, and the opinions of the large "majority present were almost unanimously in favor of the acceptance of the said agreement by the town."

In view of the foregoing, the Committee are of the opinion that all parties interested have had an opportunity of becoming aware of the proposed legislation and would therefore recommend the suspension of the Rule in this case, and that the notice be held sufficient.

Mr. McKay, from the Standing Committee on Standing Orders, presented their Seventeenth Report, which was read as follows and adopted:—

The Committee have carefully examined the Petition of the Town Council of Owen Sound, praying that an Act may pass authorizing the Corporation to subscribe stock to the amount of \$100,000 in aid of an Iron and Steel Smelting and Manufacturing Industry, and find that notice of the proposed application to this Legislature was published in the "Ontario Gazette" on the 4th day of March instant, and are also informed that such notice also appeared in the "Owen Sound Sun" and the "Owen Sound Advertiser" of recent dates.

The Committee are also informed that this matter has been the subject of general discussion in the town and is universally approved of and that with a view to give full publicity thereto 300 posters have been posted in conspicuous places through the town and that a very large number of circulars containing notice of the proposed legislation have been distributed from house to house through the town.

In consideration of the foregoing the Committee are of the opinion that sufficient publicity has been given to the matter and would recommend the suspension of the Rule in this case and that the notices as published be held sufficient.

Mr. McKay, from the Standing Committee on Standing Orders, presented their Eighteenth Report, which was read as follows and adopted :—

The Committee have carefully examined the Petition of George Hodder and others of Port Arthur, praying that an Act may pass to incorporate The Thunder Bay, Nipigon, and St. Joe Railway Company, and find that notice of the proposed application to this Legislature has been published for six successive weeks in the "Ontario Gazette," and has also appeared in the "Weekly Herald" and "Algoma Miner," a newspaper published in the Town of Port Arthur, on the 6th, 13th, 20th, and 27th days of January, and on the 1st, 3rd, 8th, 10th, 15th, 17th, 22nd, and 24th days of February last.

The Committee also find that the notice is in the following words : "Notice is hereby given that application will be made to the Legislative Assembly of Ontario at its next session for an Act to incorporate the Thunder Bay, Nipigon, and St. Joe Railway Company."

The Committee are of the opinion that the route of the proposed railway should have been set forth in the notice as in the Petition, and would therefore recommend that before the Bill be considered by the Railway Committee evidence be produced to the satisfaction of that Committee that 200 posters giving notice of the proposed application to this Legislature and setting forth the route as described in the Petition have been posted in the Towns of Porth Arthur and Fort William in the most conspicuous places therein, and that a similar notice has been also inserted in one daily newspaper in the Town of Fort William in each issue up to the time of the consideration of the Bill by the Committee.

Mr. Gibson, from the Standing Committee on Private Bills, presented their Tenth Report which was read as follows and adopted :—

The Committee have carefully considered

Bill (No. 34), "An Act respecting the City of London."

Bill (No. 71), "An Act respecting the City of Ottawa," and

Bill (No. 79), "An Act to consolidate the debt of the Town of Leamington," and have made certain amendments thereto respectively.

The Committee have also amended the preambles to Bills Nos. 34 and 79 so as to make the same conform with the facts as they appear to the Committee.

The Committee have also considered

Bill (No. 87), "An Act respecting the trusts under the marriage settlement of Mildred Raymond and John Raymond," and report the same in conformity with the suggestions of the Commissioners of Estates Bills.

The Committee have amended the preamble to the Bill (No. 87), so as to make the same conform with the facts as they appear to the Committee.

The Committee have also amended the title to Bill (No. 34), so that the same now reads "An Act respecting Victoria Hospital of the City of London."

The following Bills were severally introduced and read the first time :—

Bill (No. 61), intituled "An Act respecting the London Street Railway Company."—
Mr. German.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 74), intituled "An Act respecting the Village of Exeter."—Mr. Garrow.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 149), intituled "An Act respecting St. Luke's General Hospital, Ottawa."—
Mr. Powell.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 141), intituled "An Act to confirm a certain By-law of the Town of Palmerston."—Mr. Brown.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 146), intituled "An Act respecting the Town of Sault Ste. Marie; the Lake Superior Power Company; the Sault Ste Marie Pulp and Paper Company; Tagona Water and Light Company and others."—Mr. Farwell.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 81), intituled "An Act respecting the London Young Men's Christian Association."—Mr. Leys.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 7), intituled "An Act respecting the Ontario Lands and Oil Company, Limited."—Mr. Pardee.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 77), intituled "An Act respecting the Thunder Bay, Nipigon and St Joe Railway Company."—Mr. Connree.

Referred to the Committee on Railways.

Bill (No. 89), intituled "An Act to incorporate the Nipigon Railway Company.

Referred to the Committee on Railways.

Bill (No. 186), intituled "An Act to amend the Gas and Water Companies Act."

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Friday next.

Bill (No. 187), intituled "An Act to improve the laws respecting High Schools."—
Mr. Ross

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Friday next.

Bill (No. 188), intituled "An Act to amend the Municipal Drainage Act."—Mr. McKay.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Friday next.

Bill (No. 189), intituled "An Act to amend the Act respecting County Judges and the Local Courts Act."—Mr. Pardee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Friday next.

Bill (No. 190), intituled "An Act allowing Municipalities to adopt Proportionate Representation."—Mr. Russell.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Friday next.

Bill (No. 191), intituled "An Act to amend the Act respecting the Establishment of Municipal Institutions in Territorial Districts."—Mr. Pardee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Friday next.

Bill (No. 192), intituled "An Act to amend the Municipal Act, touching Police Commissioners in Cities."—Mr. Macnish.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Friday next.

Bill (No. 193), intituled "An Act to amend the Liquor License Act."—Mr. Marter.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Friday next.

Bill (No. 194), intituled "An Act to amend the law with respect to Compensation to Workmen."—The Attorney-General.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Friday next.

Mr. Powell moved, seconded by Mr.

That there be laid before this House a Return of copies of all communications which have passed between the Dominion Government, or any member thereof, and the Government of Ontario, or any member thereof, in reference to the abduction of an Ontario man named Meagher by a customs officer of the United States of America.

And a Debate ensuing, the Motion was, by leave of the House withdrawn.

On motion of Mr. McLaughlin, seconded by Mr. McDonald,

Ordered, That there be laid before this House a Return of a copy of Miller's Report as to discovery of gold in the Township of Marmora, the same to be brought down during the present Session.

On motion of Mr. Fox, seconded by Mr. Dempsey,

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return, shewing the number of Police Magistrates in Ontario, their names, residences, dates of appointment and territory over which they have jurisdiction, and shewing as well their respective salaries.

The Order of the Day for resuming the Adjourned Debate on the Motion respecting Bonusing by Municipalities, having been read,

The Debate was resumed,

And after some time,

Mr. German moved in amendment, seconded by Mr. Pardee,

That the Motion be amended by adding thereto the following:—"This House, however, is also of the opinion that in view of the granting of exceptional legislation during the past five or six years in cases which have been brought before the House, there may be among the pending applications to the Legislature at the present time, cases where municipalities have in good faith proceeded upon the assumption that similar legislation would be granted to them and made arrangements accordingly, and that the Private Bills Committee should take circumstances of this nature into consideration in dealing with the pending applications, but the same should not grant legislation which would not substantially come within the lines of the repealed provisions of the Municipal Amendment Act of 1888.

Mr. McKay moved in amendment to the Amendment, seconded by Mr. Conmee,

That all the words in the Motion after the word "retention" in the fifth line thereof, be struck out and the following substituted therefor:—

"And this House is further of the opinion that no such bonus, loan or exemption or other aid should be granted in any case until the By-law for granting such bonus, loan or exemption or other aid has been submitted to a vote of the ratepayers of the municipality qualified to vote on money by-laws and has received the assent of a majority of two-thirds of such ratepayers voting thereon, nor in any case when one-fifth in number of the ratepayers so qualified vote against the By-law.

And this House is further of the opinion that no such By-law should be passed by any municipality having a debenture debt amounting to more than ten per centum of the total assessment of the municipality according to the last revised assessment roll, exclusive of debts contracted for Water Works or other lighting or power plants or street railway, the revenues from which are sufficient to defray the cost of the construction and maintenance thereof.

And this House is further of the opinion that no such By-law should be passed for the purpose of aiding any manufactory or other industry when there is another manufactory or other industry of a similar character already established in the municipality nor to induce the removal thereof to any manufactory or other industry already established in another municipality."

And a Debate having arisen, it was

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned until To-morrow.

The Order of the Day for resuming the Adjourned Debate on the Motion for the Second Reading of Bill (No. 101), To regulate the overcrowding of Street Railway Cars having been read,

Mr. Speaker,—who had reserved his decision,—delivered his judgment as follows:—

Objection has been taken to this Bill (101), as one which ought to have been introduced as a Private Bill because it is practically a proposed amendment of a Private Act, and is not brought before the House by either of the parties to the Act, the City or the Toronto Railway Company.

The Bill, in Sections 1, 2, 3, 4, undoubtedly deals with matters of a Public character, and these could have been introduced as amendments to "The Electric Railway Act." Were it not for the last section of the Bill, which confines the application of the Act to Cities whose population at the last official Census was over 100,000 and so evidently indicating the City of Toronto only, I should have regarded it as a Public Bill, the policy of which might have been passed upon by the House. But the fact that it seeks to interfere with an Agreement between the City of Toronto and the Toronto Railway Company, and which was ratified by an Act of this House, warrants me in deciding that such proposed interference should have been introduced by Private Bill, and that Bill (101), is therefore out of order.

I am, however, of opinion, that any citizen of Toronto has a right to initiate legislation by Private Bill seeking to remedy a supposed defect in any Private Act passed by this House *re* the Toronto Railway.

The following Bills were severally read the second time:—

Bill (No. 106), To amend The Municipal Act.

Referred to the Municipal Committee.

Bill (No. 111), To amend the Act incorporating the Ontario Veterinary Association.

Referred to the Legal Committee.

Bill (No. 113), To amend The Municipal Act.

Referred to the Municipal Committee.

Bill (No. 115), To amend The Assessment Act.

Referred to the Municipal Committee.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of Bill (No. 98), To amend the Registry Act having been read,

Ordered, That the Order be discharged, and that the Bill be withdrawn.

The House resolved itself into a Committee, severally to consider the following Bills :—

Bill (No. 22), Respecting the Hamilton Young Women's Christian Association and Technical Institute.

Bill (No. 13), Respecting the Township of Madoc.

Bill (No. 17), Respecting the Village of Madoc.

Bill (No. 57), To consolidate the Debt of the Town of Collingwood.

Bill (No. 59), Respecting the Floating Debt of the Town of Brockville.

Bill (No. 42), Respecting the Toronto Hotel Company.

Bill (No. 50), Respecting Knox Church, Toronto.

Bill (No. 72), Respecting the Village of Merrickville.

Bill (No. 75), Respecting the Town of Niagara Falls.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; and Mr. Stratton reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the several Bills without any Amendments.

Ordered, That the Bills reported, be severally read the third time To-morrow.

The House then adjourned at 6 p.m.

Thursday, 9th March, 1899.

3 O'CLOCK, P.M.

PRAYERS.

The following Petitions were severally brought up and laid upon the Table :—

By Mr. Dryden, the Petition of the Village Council of Port Perry.

By Mr. Davis, the Petition of T. Evans and others of Bradford.

By Mr. Graham, the Petition of the Township Council of Elizabethtown.

By Mr. Barr, the Petition of John S. Allen and others of Dufferin.

By Mr. Hoyle, the Petition of the Township Council of Rama ; also, the Petition of the Township Council of Uxbridge.

By Mr. Lumsden, the Petition of the Retail Merchant's Association of Ottawa.

By Mr. Carscallen, the Petition of the Hamilton United Brotherhood of Carpenters and Joiners Union.

By Mr. Richardson, the Petition of the Township Council of Vaughan; also, the Petition of the Village Council of Sutton; also, the Petition of the Village Council of Weston; also, the Petition of the Township Council of East Gwillimbury; also, the Petition of the Township Council of York; also, the Petition of the Village Council of Holland Landing; also, the Petition of the Village Council of North Toronto.

The following Petitions were read and received :—

Of the Ottawa Session of St. Paul's Presbyterian Church, praying that the Bill before the House respecting the running of Street Cars on Sunday, in Ottawa, may not pass.

Of the Town Council of Uxbridge, praying that the Bill before the House respecting the confirmation of By-law No. 740 of the County of York, may not pass.

Of P. Stewart and others of St. Thomas, praying certain amendments to the Assessment Act, respecting the Exemption on Incomes.

Of the City Council of St. Thomas, praying certain amendments to the Gas and Water Companies Act, respecting the Power of Municipalities to acquire works of Companies.

Of the County Council of Peterborough, praying certain amendments to the Jurors' Act, respecting the cost of selection of Jurors.

Of the County Council of Peterborough, praying certain amendments to the Municipal Act, respecting the establishment of free markets for farm produce.

Of the City Council of St. Thomas, praying certain amendments to the Municipal Act, respecting the powers of Boards of Police Commissioners in Cities.

Of the Ottawa Trades and Labour Association, praying certain amendments to the Municipal Act, respecting the Hare-Spence Quota System of Voting.

Of H. Shepherd and others of Brockville, praying legislation prohibiting the Trading Stamp business.

Of Samuel Platt and others of East Luther, praying that the Bill before the House respecting the Veterinary Association, may not pass as at present framed.

Mr. Gibson, from the Standing Committee on Private Bills presented their Eleventh Report, which was read as follows and adopted :—

The Committee have carefully considered Bill (No. 52), "An Act respecting the City of Toronto," and have made certain amendments thereto.

The Committee have also considered Bill (No. 88), "An Act respecting the Queen's Wharf Ferry in the City of Toronto," and find the preamble thereof not proven, on the ground that in the opinion of the Committee the legislation asked for in the Bill is not desirable or expedient.

The Committee would recommend that the fees, less the actual cost of printing, be remitted on Bill (No. 88), and also on Bill (No. 47), "An Act respecting the Mutual Life Insurance Company," the said Bill (No. 47), not having been proceeded with by the promoters thereof.

The Committee also recommend that the fees, less the actual cost of printing, be remitted on Bill (No. 21), "An Act respecting the Synod of the Diocese of Niagara." Bill (No. 27), "An Act relating to the City Hospital of Hamilton," and Bill (No. 38), "An Act to amend the Acts relating to Victoria University," which several Bills were considered by this Committee during the Session of 1897, on the ground that the said several Bills relate to Religious, Charitable, and Educational Institutions respectively.

Mr. Dryden, from the Standing Committee on Railways, presented their Third Report, which was read as follows and adopted :—

The Committee have carefully considered the following Bills and have prepared certain amendments thereto respectively :—

Bill (No. 8), To incorporate the Toronto, Lindsay and Pembroke Railway Company.

Bill (No. 55), To amend the Act incorporating the Smith's Falls, Rideau and Southern Railway Company ; and

Bill (No. 78), To incorporate the Haliburton, Whitney and Mattawa Railway Company.

The Committee have also amended the Preambles to Bills 8 and 78, so as to make the same conform with the facts as they appear to the Committee.

Ordered, That the fees, less the actual cost of printing, be remitted on Bill (No. 88), Queen's Wharf Ferry, Toronto ; and on Bill (No. 47), Mutuality Life Insurance Company.

Ordered, That the fees, less the actual cost of printing, be remitted on the following Bills of the Session of 1897 : (No. 21), Synod of Diocese of Niagara ; (No. 27), Hamilton City Hospital, and No. 38), Victoria University.

The following Bills were severally introduced and read the first time :—

Bill (No. 195), intituled "An Act to amend the Municipal Act."—Mr. Pardee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Monday next.

Bill (No. 196), intituled "An Act to amend the Ditches and Watercourses Act."—Mr. Pardee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Monday next.

Bill (No. 197), intituled "An Act to amend the Ontario Tree Planting Act."—Mr. Auld.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Monday next.||

The House again resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 118), To improve the law respecting Public Schools, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; and Mr. Stratton reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill with certain amendments.

Ordered, That the Amendments be taken into consideration forthwith.

The Amendments, having been read the second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time Tomorrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 102), Further to improve the San José Scale Act, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; and Mr. Charlton reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill with certain amendments.

Ordered, That the Amendments be taken into consideration forthwith.

The Amendments, having been read the second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

The Order of the Day for resuming the adjourned Debate on the motion respecting bonusing by municipalities, having been read,

Mr. Speaker ruled that the amendment to the Amendment was out of order, inasmuch as it proposed to amend the Motion and not the Amendment.

The Debate was resumed upon the Amendment.

And, after some time,

The Original Motion and Amendment thereto, were, by consent of the House, withdrawn.

The following bills were severally read the second time :—

Bill (No. 99), To amend the Prisons and Asylums Inspection Act.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 134), To amend the Public Libraries Act.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 177), To amend the Municipal Act.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 178), To amend the Law respecting the Liability of Trustees.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 179), To amend the Act respecting Wages.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 180), Respecting the closing and sale of disused Cemeteries owned by Municipalities.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

On motion of the Attorney-General, seconded by Mr. Ross,

Ordered, That the following words be added to the Return ordered on the motion of Mr. Hoyle on the 22nd day of February last, "together with a statement of the number of cases heard or tried in the County Judges Criminal Court, the number of days in which the County Judge was engaged in revising voter's lists, in attending board of Audit criminal justice accounts, the selection of jurors, and in the performance of duties under the Overholding Tenants Act and in the performance of other duties imposed upon him by law during the said period."

The Motion as amended, having been then put, was carried, and it was

Ordered, That there be laid before this House a Return shewing the number of cases entered in the County Court of the County of Ontario for the past five years; the amount of money collected through the Sheriff during the same period and shewing, as well, the number of cases entered in the Division Court of the same County during the past five years, and the amount of money collected in the Court during the same period. Also shewing the number of cases that went to trial in each Court respectively. Together with a statement of the number of cases heard or tried in the County Judges Criminal Court, the number of days in which the County Judge was engaged in revising voters lists, in attending board of Audit criminal justice accounts, the selection of jurors, and in the performance of duties under the Overholding Tenants Act and in the performance of other duties imposed upon him by law during the said period.

Mr. Davis presented to the House by command of His Honour the Lieutenant Governor :—

Return to an Address to His Honour of the twenty-seventh day of February, 1899, praying that he would cause to be laid before this House a Return of copies of all correspondence between the Government or any member thereof, and the Corporation of the Town of Lindsay, with reference to the appointment of a Police Magistrate and the salary to be paid him. Also, copy of Order in Council appointing a Police Magistrate at Lindsay. (*Sessional Papers No. 67.*)

Also—Return to an Order of the House of the twenty-sixth day of February, 1897, for a Return giving the names of all High School Teachers who have received Specialists' Certificates since 1885 as the result of examinations. The names of such Teachers who received Specialists' Certificates on any other ground, stating the year in which such certificate was granted, on what grounds, and the University standing of the recipient. Names of all applicants for such certificates who have been refused them, and on what grounds such refusal was based. (*Sessional Papers No. 66.*)

The House then adjourned at 10.50 p.m.

Friday, March 10th, 1899.

3 O'CLOCK P.M.

PRAYERS.

The following Petitions were severally brought up and laid upon the Table :—

By Mr. Crawford, the Petition of George W. Dower and others of Toronto.

By Mr. Marter, the Petition of P. G. Kemp and others of Toronto.

By Mr. Lumsden, the Petition of the Ottawa Branch of the Lord's Day Alliance, and others of Ottawa.

By Mr. Barr, the Petition of the County Council of Dufferin.

The following Petitions were read and received :—

Of the Town Council of Oshawa ; also, of the Township Council of Pickering ; also, of the Township Council of East Whitby ; also, of the Township Council of Whitby ; also, of the Township Council of Scugog ; also, of the Township Council of Reach ; also, of the Township Council of Mara ; also, of the Village Council of Cannington ; also, of the Village Council of Beaverton ; also, of the Township Council of Thorah, severally praying that the Bill before the House to confirm By-law No. 740 of the County of York, may not pass.

Of John Collinson and others of St. Thomas, praying certain amendments to the Assessment Act, respecting the exemption on income.

Of the Orillia Branch of the Church of England Temperance Society, praying for the abolition of wine, beer and summer resort liquor licenses.

Of the Township Council of East Whitby, praying certain amendments to the Municipal Act, respecting the establishment of free markets for farm produce.

Of J. M. Macoun and others of Ottawa, praying certain amendments to the Municipal Act, respecting the Hare-Spence Quota System of Voting.

Of the Reverend Father McDonald and others of Kemptville, praying that the Bill before the House respecting the Ontario Veterinary Association, may not pass as at present framed.

Mr. Gibson from the Standing Committee on Private Bills presented their Twelfth Report, which was read as follows and adopted :—

The Committee have carefully considered

Bill (No. 40), "An Act respecting the Township of York and to incorporate the Town of York," and

Bill (No. 45), "An Act to confirm By-law No. 740 of the County of York," and have made certain amendments thereto.

The Committee have also amended the preambles to Bills Nos. 40 and 45, so as to make the same conform with the facts as they appear to the Committee.

The Committee have also considered

Bill (No. 65), "An Act to amend the Act to enable the Trustees of the Canada Presbyterian Church in Osgoode to convey parts of the Church lands to other trustees for a burial ground," and have amended the preamble to the Bill so as to make the same conform with the facts as they appear to the Committee.

The Committee recommend that the fees, less the actual cost of printing, be remitted on Bill (No. 65), on the ground that the Bill relates to a matter in the nature of a Religious Institution.

Mr. Dryden from the Standing Committee on Railways presented their Fourth Report, which was read as follows and adopted :—

The Committee have carefully considered Bill (No. 69), To incorporate the Thessalon and Grand Portage Railway Company, and have amended the preamble to the Bill so as to make the same conform with the facts as they appear to the Committee, and have also prepared other amendments to the Bill.

Ordered, That the fees, less the actual cost of printing, be remitted on Bill (No. 65), Canada Presbyterian Church in Osgoode.

The following Bills were severally introduced and read the first time :—

Bill (No. 198), intituled "An Act respecting Pasture Lands and Liens held on Stock placed thereon for unpaid pasture money."—Mr. Hodgens.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Tuesday next.

Bill (No. 199), intituled "An Act to amend the Assessment Act."—Mr. Carscallen.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Tuesday next.

Bill (No. 200), intituled "An Act to amend the Municipal Act."—Mr. Carscallen.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Tuesday next.

Bill (No. 201), intituled "An Act to amend the Municipal Drainage Act."—Mr. Mutrie.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Tuesday next.

Bill (No. 202), intituled "An Act to amend the Registry Act."—Mr. Stratton.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Tuesday next.

The following Bills were severally read the second time :—

Bill (No. 119), To amend the Assessment Act.

Referred to the Municipal Committee.

Bill (No. 123), To amend the Voters' Lists Act.

Referred to the Municipal Committee.

Bill (No. 129), respecting Town Councils.

Referred to the Municipal Committee.

Bill (No. 150), To amend the Assessment Act.

Referred to the Municipal Committee.

Bill (No. 152), To amend the Municipal Act.

Referred to the Municipal Committee.

Bill (No. 153), To amend the Voters' Lists Act.

Referred to the Municipal Committee.

Bill (No. 159), To amend the Municipal Act.

Referred to the Municipal Committee.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of Bill (No. 117), To amend the Registry Act having been read,

Mr. Kribs moved,

That the Bill be now read the second time.

And the Motion, having been put, was lost on a division.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of Bill (No. 121), To amend the Judicature Act having been read,

Ordered, That the Order be discharged, and that the Bill be withdrawn.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of Bill (No. 154), To amend the Act respecting the Office of Sheriff having been read,

Ordered, That the Order be discharged, and that the Bill be withdrawn.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of Bill (No. 160), To amend the San José Scale Act having been read,

Ordered, That the Order be discharged, and that the Bill be withdrawn.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of Bill (No. 169), To amend the Municipal Act having been read,

Ordered, That the Order be discharged, and that the Bill be withdrawn.

Mr. Davis presented to the House by command of His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor :—

Report of the Inspector of Legal Offices. (*Sessional Papers*, No. 31.)

Also—Return to an Order of the House of the eighth day of March instant, for a Return of a copy of Miller's Report as to discovery of gold in the Township of Marmora, the same to be brought down during the present Session. (*Sessional Papers* No. 68.)

The House then adjourned at 5.30 p.m.

Monday, March 13th, 1899.

3 O'CLOCK P.M.

PRAYERS.

The following Petitions were severally brought up and laid upon the Table :—

By Mr. Foy, the Petition of S. T. Wood and others of Toronto.

By Mr. Carnegie, the Petition of the County Council of Victoria.

The following Petitions were read and received :—

Of the Township Council of Uxbridge ; also, of the Township Council of Rama ; also, of the Village Council of Port Perry, severally praying that the Bill before the House to confirm By-law No. 740 of the County of York, may not pass.

Of the Hamilton Brotherhood of Carpenters and Joiners, praying for the appointment of a Commission to enquire into the system of Assessment.

Of the Township Council of Elizabethtown, praying certain amendments to the Municipal Act, respecting the establishment of free markets for farm produce.

Of T. Evans and others of Bradford ; also, of John S. Allen and others of Dufferin, severally praying certain amendments to the Municipal Act, respecting the Hare-Spence Quota System of Voting.

Of the Ottawa Retail Merchants Association, praying certain amendments to the Municipal Act, respecting the licensing of Hawkers and Pedlars.

Of the Township Council of Vaughan ; also, of the Village Council of Sutton ; also, of the Village Council of Weston ; also, of the Township Council of East Gwillimbury ; also, of the Township Council of York ; also, of the Village Council of Holland Landing ; also, of the Town Council of North Toronto, severally praying that County Councils be not given control of street railways within their limits.

The following Bills were severally introduced and read the first time :—

Bill (No. 203), intituled "An Act to amend the Electric Railway Act."—Mr. Matheson.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Wednesday next.

Bill (No. 204), intituled "An Act respecting Municipal and School Elections."—Mr. Leys.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Wednesday next.

Bill (No. 205), intituled "An Act to amend the Ontario Game Protection Act."—
Mr. Gibson.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Wednesday next.

The House resolved itself into a Committee, severally to consider the following Bills :—

Bill (No. 21), To consolidate the Debt of the Town of Mattawa.

Bill (No. 63), To incorporate the Village of Sturgeon Point.

Bill (No. 54), Respecting the Town of Smith's Falls.

Bill (No. 68), To incorporate the Western Hospital of Toronto.

Bill (No. 20), To authorize and confirm a deed of agreement between the Toronto General Trusts Company and The Trusts Corporation of Ontario, and to unite the said Companies under the name of The Toronto General Trusts Corporation.

Bill (No. 44), To incorporate the Bruce Mines and Algoma Railway Company.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; and Mr. Charlton reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the several Bills with certain Amendments.

The Amendments, having been read the second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bills reported, be severally read the third time To-morrow.

The following Bills were severally read the second time :—

Bill (No. 29), Respecting the Town of Orillia.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 64), To consolidate the Floating Debt of the Town of Brampton.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 80), Respecting the Incorporated Synod of the Diocese of Toronto.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 67), Relating to the Sault Ste. Marie and Hudson's Bay Railway Company.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 34), Respecting Victoria Hospital of the City of London.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 79), To consolidate the Debt of the Town of Leamington.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 87), Respecting the Trusts under the Marriage Settlement of Mildred Raymond and John Raymond.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 52), Respecting the City of Toronto.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 8), To incorporate the Toronto, Lindsay and Pembroke Railway Company.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 55), To amend the Act incorporating the Smith's Falls, Rideau and Southern Railway Company.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 78), To incorporate the Haliburton, Whitney and Mattawa Railway Company.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 40), Respecting the Township of York and to incorporate the Town of York.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 45), To confirm By-law No. 740 of the County of York.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 65), To amend the Act to enable the Trustees of the Canada Presbyterian Church in Osgoode to convey parts of the Church lands to other Trustees for a burial ground.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 69), To incorporate the Thessalon and Grand Portage Railway Company.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 136), Respecting Civil Engineers.

Referred to the Legal Committee.

Bill (No. 158), To amend the Municipal Act.

Referred to the Municipal Committee.

Bill (No. 161), To amend the Assessment Act.

Referred to the Municipal Committee.

Mr. Davis presented to the House :—

Return to an Order of the House of the fifteenth day of December, 1897, for a Return of copies of all correspondence between the Minister of Education, or any official in the Department and Mr. Stewart of Glencoe, or any other person, in reference to the case of C. C. Grant of St. Thomas, who was charged with having obtained copies of the examination papers before the Matriculation Examination in 1896. (*Sessional Papers*, No. 69.)

The House then adjourned at 4.50 p.m.

Tuesday, March 14th, 1899.

3 o'CLOCK P.M.

PRAYERS.

The following Petitions were severally brought up and laid upon the Table :—

By Mr. Richardson, the Petition of the Township Council of North Gwillimbury.

By Mr. Macnish, the Petition of the Dutton High Schools Board.

The following Petitions were read and received :—

Of the Knox Church Y. P. S. C. E. ; also, of the Congregational Church Y. P. S. C. E. ; also, of St. Pauls Y. P. A. ; also, of the Epworth League C. E. Methodist Church ; also, of McPhail Memorial Y. P. A. ; also, of Christian Endeavour Society ; also, of Rev. H. E. Warren and others ; also, of New Edinburgh Presbyterian Church ; also, of Welcome Zion Congregational Church ; also, of the Young Women's C. T. U. ; also, of the Young Women's C. A. ; also, of the Bethany Presbyterian Congregation ; also, of Herbert S. Campbell and others ; also, of St. Luke's Church ; also, of First Congregational Church ; also, of McLeod Street C. L. of C. S. Society ; also, of McLeod Street Methodist Church ; also, of District Lodge No. 1, I. O. G. T. ; also, of Knox Church ; also, of the Rev. William Moore, D.D. ; also, of J. W. N. Milne and others ; also, of Amelia E. Gordon and others ; also, of the McPhail Memorial Baptist Church ; also, of the Revd. W. T. Wood and others ; also, of Bell Street C. L. of C. E. ; also, of the West End Methodist Congregation ; also, of the Home for Friendless Women, all of Ottawa, severally praying that the Bill before the House relative to the running of Sunday Street Cars may not pass.

Of the County Council of Dufferin, respecting the audit of Accounts and the appointment of Municipal Auditors.

Of George W. Dower and others ; also, of P. G. Kemp and others, all of Toronto, severally praying certain amendments to the Municipal Act, respecting the Hare-Spence Quota System of Voting.

Mr. Gibson from the Standing Committee on Private Bills presented their Thirteenth Report, which was read as follows and adopted :—

The Committee have carefully considered

Bill (No. 12, "An Act to confirm By-law 152 of the Village of Tara."

Bill (No. 25, "An Act to legalize and confirm By-laws 488 and 489 of the Town of Sarnia.

Bill (No. 38), "An Act to amend the Act to enable Edward Spencer Jenison to develop and improve a water privilege on the Kaministiquia River and extend the provisions thereof."

Bill (No. 49), "An Act to confirm By-law 361 of the Town of Gananoque."

Bill (No. 61), "An Act respecting the London Street Railway Company."

Bill (No. 62), "An Act to authorize the Supreme Court of Judicature for Ontario, to admit George Macgregor Gardner to practise as a Solicitor."

Bill (No. 81), "An Act to incorporate the London Young Men's Christian Association."

Bill (No. 83), "An Act respecting the Town of Fort William."

Bill (No. 143), "An Act respecting the Town of Peterborough."

Bill (No. 149), "An Act respecting St. Luke's General Hospital."

And have made certain amendments thereto respectively.

The Committee have also amended the preambles to Bills Nos. 25, 38, 49, 62, 83, 143 and 149, so as to make the same conform with the facts as they appear to the Committee.

The Committee have also considered Bill (No. 56), "An Act respecting the City of Kingston and the Dominion Cotton Mills Company," and have amended the preamble to the Bill so as to make the same conform with the facts as they appear to the Committee.

The Committee have also considered Bill (No. 73), "An Act confirming a certain By-law and agreement of the Municipal Corporation of the Town of Cornwall," and report the same without amendment.

The Committee have also considered Bill (No. 76), "An Act to incorporate the Thunder Bay Pulp and Manufacturing Company," and are of opinion that special legislation for this purpose should not be granted, but that the petitioners should make their application to the Lieutenant-Governor in Council for the powers sought for in their petition, pursuant to the provisions of The Ontario Joint Stock Companies Letters Patent Act, under the notices already given in pursuance of the provisions of the statute in that behalf, and the Bill having been withdrawn, the Committee recommend that the fees, less the actual cost of printing, be remitted thereon.

The Committee recommend that the fees, less the actual cost of printing, be remitted on Bills Nos. 81 and 149, respectively, on the ground that Bill (No. 81), relates to a Religious Institution, and Bill (No. 149), relates to a Charitable Institution.

Mr. Dryden, from the Standing Committee on Railways, presented their Fifth Report, which was read as follows and adopted :—

The Committee have carefully considered the following Bills and have prepared certain amendments thereto respectively :—

Bill (No. 24), To incorporate the Hamilton and Caledonia Railway Company.

Bill (No. 142), Respecting the Hamilton, Chedoke and Ancaster Electric Street Railway Company, Limited, and

Bill (No. 43), To incorporate the Worthington and Onaping Railway Company.

The Committee have also amended the Preamble to Bill (No. 43), so as to make the same conform with the facts as they appear to the Committee.

Ordered, That the fees, less the actual cost of printing, be remitted on Bill (No. 81), London Young Men's Christian Association, on Bill (No. 149), St. Luke's General Hospital, Ottawa, and on Bill (No. 76), Thunder Bay Pulp and Manufacturing Company.

The following Bills were severally introduced and read the first time :—

Bill (No. 206), intituled "An Act respecting Investments by Trustees."—Mr Clarke.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Thursday next.

Bill (No. 207), intituled "An Act to amend the Ontario Game Protection Act."—Mr. Charlton.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Thursday next.

Bill (No. 208), intituled "An Act to amend the Public Health Act."—Mr. Pattullo.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Thursday next.

Bill (No. 209), intituled "An Act to amend the Public Parks Act."—Mr. Lumsden.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Thursday next.

Bill (No. 210), intituled "An Act to amend the Municipal Act."—Mr. Lumsden.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Thursday next.

Bill (No. 211), intituled "An Act respecting Cheese and Butter Exchanges."—Mr. Brown.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Thursday next.

Bill (No. 212), intituled "An Act to amend the Separate Schools Act."—Mr. McDonald.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Thursday next.

On motion of Mr. Harcourt, seconded by Mr. Dryden,

Resolved, That this House do, forthwith, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider certain proposed Resolutions, respecting the supplementing of the Revenues of the Province of Ontario.

The Attorney-General acquainted the House that His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, having been informed of the subject matter of the proposed Resolutions, recommends them to the consideration of the House.

The House then resolved itself into the Committee.

(In the Committee.)

Resolved, That the taxes payable under the provisions of Bill (No. 165), "An Act to supplement the revenues of the Province of Ontario," shall be as hereinafter set forth:—

1.—(a) Every bank shall pay a tax of one-tenth of one *per cent.* on the paid up capital stock where such paid up capital stock does not exceed \$2,000,000, and \$25 for every \$100,000 or fraction thereof of the paid up capital stock in excess of the sum of \$2,000,000, and not exceeding \$6,000,000.

(b) Every bank shall pay an additional tax of \$100 for each principal office or place of business in the Province, and \$25 for each additional office, branch or agency in the Province, but no such tax shall be levied upon more than one office, branch or agency in any one municipality.

2.—(a) Every life insurance company which transacts business in the Province of Ontario shall pay a tax of one *per cent.*, and every other insurance company shall pay a tax of two-thirds of one *per cent.*, calculated on the gross premiums received by such company in respect of the business transacted in the said Province during the preceding year, but in the case of mutual fire insurance companies which receive premiums in cash the tax shall be collected on the gross premiums received by such company in cash in respect of the business transacted on a cash basis in the said Province during the preceding year.

(b) Where the receipts from premiums of a life insurance company whose head office is elsewhere than in Ontario are less than \$20,000, and where such company lends money on security and has invested in this Province \$100,000, or more, such company shall pay a tax of one *per cent.* calculated on the gross premiums and one-fourth of one *per cent.* on the income from investments received by such company in respect of the business transacted in the Province during the preceding year.

3. Every loan company which transacts business in the Province of Ontario shall pay a tax as follows:—

(a) Companies with fixed or permanent paid up capital, \$65 where the paid up capital is \$100,000 or less, and \$65 on every additional \$100,000, or fraction thereof, of paid up capital.

(b) Companies having only terminating or withdrawable capital where the amount of paid up capital is over \$100,000, the sum of \$65 on every \$100,000 or fraction thereof of paid up capital after the first \$100,000.

4. Every trust company which transacts business in the Province of Ontario shall pay a tax of \$250 where the paid up capital is \$100,000 or less, and the sum of \$65 on every additional \$100,000 or fraction thereof of paid up capital, and where the gross profits of any trust company are \$25,000 *per annum* or over such company shall pay the further sum of \$500 *per annum*. The interest received by a trust company from the paid up capital of the company which may be invested shall not for the purposes of this Act be reckoned as gross profits.

5. Every railway company operating or running a line or part of a line of railway within the Province shall pay a tax of \$5 *per mile* for each mile of such railway from terminus to terminus operated or used by the company so operating or using the same, but both the company or companies owning the line or such part thereof and the company or companies operating or working the said line or part or parts of a line as aforesaid shall be jointly and severally liable for the payment of the amount of such tax to the Provincial Treasurer. The word "railway" or the words "railway company" in this section and in section 8 shall not include an electric railway or electric railway company or a tramway or a tramway company.

6. Every street railway company in any city in the Province and every company working or operating a railway or part thereof entirely or partly by electricity in any city in the Province for carrying passengers shall pay a tax of \$20 *per mile* for each mile of track in such city, when the same does not exceed 20 miles, \$35 *per mile* for each mile of track when the same exceeds 20 miles but does not exceed 30 miles, \$45 *per mile* for each mile of track when the same exceeds 30 miles but does not exceed 50 miles, and \$60 for each mile of track when the same exceeds 50 miles. In all cases the mileage shall be computed on the single track, each mile of double track being counted as two miles of single track.

7. Every telegraph company which owns a line or part of a line of telegraph where the same or part thereof is operated or worked by others or by any other company other than the owners within the Province of Ontario, shall pay a tax of one-tenth of one *per cent.* on the paid up capital of such company, but where a company owning the line is taxable under the preceding clause, it shall not be taxable for an additional one-tenth of one *per cent.* under this clause; and every company which operates or works in the Province of Ontario a telegraph line or part of a telegraph line or one or more lines or parts thereof under lease or agreement with the owners of such line or lines or parts thereof shall pay a tax of one-tenth of one *per cent.* upon the paid up capital of such company and both the company or companies owning the lines or parts thereof and the company or companies or persons operating or working the said line or lines or part or parts thereof as aforesaid shall be jointly and severally liable for the payment of the amount of the taxes to Provincial Treasurer.

8. Every railway or other company other than a telegraph company which owns a line or lines or part of a line or lines of telegraph operated in the Province shall pay a tax of one-tenth of one *per cent.* upon the total amount of capital invested in the whole telegraph line or lines or works.

9. Every telephone company working or operating a telephone line for gain in the Province shall pay a tax of one-eighth of one *per cent.* upon the paid up capital of such company.

10. Every gas company and every electric lighting company in any city in the Province shall pay a tax of one-tenth of one *per cent.* on its paid up capital, but this shall not apply to any gas or electric works owned by a municipality and operated for the purposes of the municipality.

11. Every company engaged in producing natural gas in the Province or whose officers, servants, contractors, or lessees are so engaged, or any company or person or persons who are producing natural gas under an arrangement or agreement with the said first mentioned company shall pay the sum of \$5,000; and also every company transmitting or transporting natural gas shall pay the sum of \$2,500; and where the company which produces natural gas also transmits or transports the same such company shall pay the sum of \$2,500 in addition to the aforesaid sum of \$5,000.

12. Every express company or company doing express business or a general express business in the Province shall pay the sum of \$2,000.

13. Every company doing business in the Province by either leasing or hiring sleeping cars or parlor cars to a railway company or to railway companies, or whose sleeping or parlor cars run upon or are used by a railway company or railway companies within the Province shall pay the sum of one-third of one *per cent.* upon the capital of the company invested in cars and rolling stock used in Ontario during the preceding year.

Resolved, That the said taxes shall in the year 1899 be payable on the first day of November, and thereafter shall be payable on the first day of June in each and every year.

Resolved, That in the foregoing Resolutions "preceding year" shall mean the year ending the 31st of December next before the time when the said taxes are payable and the said taxes shall be levied upon the paid up capital stock, mileage or other basis of taxation as the same stood on the said 31st day of December.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Stratton reported, That the Committee had come to certain Resolutions.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Mr. Stratton reported the Resolutions as follows:—

Resolved, That the taxes payable under the provisions of Bill (No. 165), "An Act to supplement the revenues of the Province of Ontario," shall be as hereinafter set forth:—

1.—(a) Every bank shall pay a tax of one-tenth of one *per cent.* on the paid up capital stock where such paid up capital stock does not exceed \$2,000,000, and \$25 for every \$100,000 or fraction thereof of the paid up capital stock in excess of the sum of \$2,000,000 and not exceeding \$6,000,000.

(b) Every bank shall pay an additional tax of \$100 for each principal office or place of business in the Province, and \$25 for each additional office, branch or agency in the Province, but no such tax shall be levied upon more than one office, branch or agency in any one municipality.

2.—(a) Every life insurance company which transacts business in the Province of Ontario, shall pay a tax of one *per cent.*, and every other insurance company shall pay a tax of two-thirds of one *per cent.*, calculated on the gross premiums received by such company in respect of the business transacted in the said Province during the preceding year, but in the case of mutual fire insurance companies which receive premiums in cash the tax shall be collected on the gross premiums received by such company in cash in respect of the business transacted on a cash basis in the said Province during the preceding year.

(b) Where the receipts from premiums of a life insurance company whose head office is elsewhere than in Ontario are less than \$20,000, and where such company lends money on security and has invested in this Province \$100,000 or more, such company shall pay a tax of one *per cent.* calculated on the gross premiums and one-fourth of one *per cent.* on the income from investments received by such company in respect of the business transacted in the Province during the preceding year.

3. Every loan company which transacts business in the Province of Ontario shall pay a tax as follows:—

(a) Companies with fixed or permanent paid up capital, \$65 where the paid up capital is \$100,000 or less, and \$65 on every additional \$100,000, or fraction thereof, of paid up capital.

(b) Companies having only terminating or withdrawable capital where the amount of paid up capital is over \$100,000, the sum of \$65 on every \$100,000 or fraction thereof of paid up capital after the first \$100,000.

4. Every trust company which transacts business in the Province of Ontario shall pay a tax of \$250 where the paid up capital is \$100,000 or less, and the sum of \$65 on every additional \$100,000 or fraction thereof of paid up capital, and where the gross profits of any trust company are \$25,000 *per annum* or over such company shall pay the further sum of \$500 *per annum*. The interest received by a trust company from the paid up capital of the company which may be invested shall not for the purposes of this Act be reckoned as gross profits.

5. Every railway company operating or running a line or part of a line of railway within the Province shall pay a tax of \$5 *per mile* for each mile of such railway from terminus to terminus operated or used by the company so operating or using the same, but both the company or companies owning the line or such part thereof and the company or companies operating or working the said line or part or parts of a line as aforesaid shall be jointly and severally liable for the payment of the amount of such tax to the Provincial Treasurer. The word "railway" or the words "railway company" in this section and in section 8 shall not include an electric railway or electric railway company or a tramway or a tramway company.

6. Every street railway company in any city in the Province and every company working or operating a railway or part thereof entirely or partly by electricity in any

city in the Province for carrying passengers shall pay a tax of \$20 per mile for each mile of track in such city, when the same does not exceed 20 miles, \$35 per mile for each mile of track when the same exceeds 20 miles but does not exceed 30 miles, \$45 per mile for each mile of track when the same exceeds 30 miles but does not exceed 50 miles, and \$60 for each mile of track when the same exceeds 50 miles. In all cases the mileage shall be computed on the single track, each mile of double track being counted as two miles of single track.

7. Every telegraph company which owns a line or part of a line of telegraph where the same or part thereof is operated or worked by others or by any other company other than the owners within the Province of Ontario, shall pay a tax of one tenth of one *per cent.* upon the paid up capital of such company, but where a company owning the line is taxable under the preceding clause, it shall not be taxable for an additional one-tenth of one *per cent.* under this clause; and every company which operates or works in the Province of Ontario a telegraph line or part of a telegraph line or one or more lines or parts thereof under lease or agreement with the owners of such line or lines or parts thereof shall pay a tax of one tenth of one *per cent.* upon the paid up capital of such company and both the company or companies owning the lines or parts thereof and the company or companies or persons operating or working the said line or lines or part or parts thereof as aforesaid shall be jointly and severally liable for the payment of the amount of the taxes to Provincial Treasurer.

8. Every railway or other company other than a telegraph company which owns a line or lines or part of a line or lines of telegraph operated in the Province shall pay a tax of one-tenth of one *per cent.* upon the total amount of capital invested in the whole telegraph line or lines or work.

9. Every telephone company working or operating a telephone line for gain in the Province shall pay a tax of one-eighth of one *per cent.* upon the paid up capital of such company.

10. Every gas company and every electric lighting company in any city in the Province shall pay a tax of one-tenth of one *per cent.* on its paid up capital, but this shall not apply to any gas or electric works owned by a municipality and operated for the purposes of the municipality.

11. Every company engaged in producing natural gas in the Province or whose officers, servants, contractors, or lessees are so engaged, or any company or person or persons who are producing natural gas under an arrangement or agreement with the said first mentioned company shall pay the sum of \$5,000; and also every company transmitting or transporting natural gas shall pay the sum of \$2,500; and where the company which produces natural gas also transmits or transports the same such company shall pay the sum of \$2,500 in addition to the aforesaid sum of \$5,000.

12. Every express company or company doing express business or a general express business in the Province shall pay the sum of \$2,000.

13. Every company doing business in the Province by either leasing or hiring sleeping cars or parlor cars to a railway company or to railway companies, or whose sleeping or parlor cars run upon or are used by a railway company or railway companies within the Province shall pay the sum of one-third of one *per cent.* upon the capital of the company invested in cars and rolling stock used in Ontario during the preceding year.

Resolved, That the said taxes shall in the year 1899 be payable on the first day of November, and thereafter shall be payable on the first day of June in each and every year.

Resolved, That in the foregoing Resolutions "preceding year" shall mean the year ending the 31st of December next before the time when the said taxes are payable and the said taxes shall be levied upon the paid up capital stock, mileage or other basis of taxation as the same stood on the said 31st day of December.

Mr. Harcourt moved, seconded by Mr. Dryden,

That the Resolutions be now concurred in.

And the Motion, having been put, was carried on a division.

The Resolutions, having been then read the second time, were concurred in, and referred to the Committee of the Whole House on Bill (No. 165), To supplement the Revenues of the Province of Ontario.

The Order of the Day for the Second Reading of Bill (No. 165), To supplement the Revenues of the Province of Ontario, having been read,

Mr. Harcourt moved,

That the Bill be now read the second time.

Mr. Foy moved in amendment, seconded by Mr. Miscampbell,

That all the words of the Motion after the word "That" be omitted and the following substituted "the Bill be not now read the second time, but be read the second time on this day six months."

And the Amendment, having been put, was lost on the following division :—

YEAS.

Messieurs :

Allen,	Fallis,	Krubs,	Pyne,
Barr,	Foy,	Little,	Reid (Addington),
Beatty (Leeds),	Fox,	Lucas,	Reid (Durham),
Boyd,	Gallagher,	Marter,	Thompson,
Brower,	Hodgens,	Matheson,	Tucker,
Carnegie,	Hoyle,	Miscampbell,	White,
Crawford,	Jamieson,	Morrison,	Whitney—37.
Dempsey,	Jessop,	McDonald,	
Duff,	Joynt,	McLaughlin,	
Eilber,	Kidd,	Powell,	

NAYS.

Messieurs :

Auld,	Clarke,	Hardy,	McKee,
Aylsworth,	Conmee,	Harty,	Pardee,
Beatty (Parry Sound),	Davis,	Hill,	Pardo,
Bleizard,	Dickenson,	Hislop,	Pattullo,
Bowman,	Douglas,	Holmes,	Pettypiece,
Bridgland,	Dryden,	Leys,	Richardson,
Brown,	Farwell,	Loughrin,	Ross,
Burt,	Ferguson,	Lumsden,	Russell,
Caldwell,	Gibson,	Malcolm,	Smith,
Campbell,	Graham,	Mutrie,	Stratton,
Carpenter,	Guibord,	Macnish,	Taylor,
Charlton,	Harcourt,	McKay,	Truax—48.

PAIRS.

Garraw	....	....	....	....	....	Carscallen.
German	....	....	....	....	....	Wardell.
Barber	....	....	....	....	....	Colquhoun.

The Motion for the second reading having been then again put, was carried, and the Bill was read the second time and referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

On motion of Mr. Harcourt, seconded by Mr. Dryden,

Resolved, That this House will, on To-morrow, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider certain proposed Resolutions respecting Brewers' and Distillers' and other Licenses.

Mr. Davis presented to the House by command of His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor :—

Report of the Agricultural College and Experimental Farm for the year 1898.
(*Sessional Papers*, No. 18.)

The House the adjourned at 11.55 p.m.

Wednesday, 15th March, 1899.

3 O'CLOCK P.M.

PRAYERS.

The following Petitions were severally brought up and laid upon the Table :—

By Mr. Davis, the Petition of John A. Mundie and others of Prescott.

By Mr. Carscallen, the Petition of W. W. Buchanan and others of Hamilton.

The following Petitions were read and received :—

Of S. T. Wood and others of Toronto, praying certain amendments to the Municipal Act, respecting the Hare-Spence Quota System of Voting.

Of the County Council of Victoria, praying certain amendments to the Municipal Act, respecting the cost of selection of Jurors.

Mr. Gibson from the Standing Committee on Private Bills presented their Fourteenth Report, which was read as follows and adopted :—

The Committee have carefully considered

Bill (No. 16), "An Act to confirm By-law No. 234 of the Town of Newmarket."

Bill (No. 26), "An Act to authorize Jacob Zielinski to practise the Eclectic System of Medicine in the Province of Ontario."

Bill (No. 53), "An Act respecting the Town of Lindsay."

Bill (No. 86), "An Act respecting the Town of Whitby."

And have made certain amendments thereto respectively.

The Committee have also amended the preambles to Bills Nos. 16, 26, 53 and 86 so as to make them conform with the facts as they appear to the Committee.

The Committee have also considered Bill (No. 11), "An Act respecting By-law No. 462 of the Town of Dundas," and have amended the preamble to the Bill so as to make the same conform with the facts as they appear to the Committee.

The Committee have also considered Bill (No. 148), "An Act respecting By-law No. 1797 of the City of Ottawa, and to authorize the Corporation of the City of Ottawa to raise money upon the security of Lansdowne Park," and have amended the preamble to the Bill so as to make the same conform with the facts as they appear to the Committee.

The Committee have also considered Bill (No. 39), "An Act respecting By-law No. 913 of the City of Belleville," and find the preamble thereof not proven on the ground that in the opinion of the Committee the legislation asked for in the Bill is not desirable or expedient.

The Committee recommend that the fees, less the actual cost of printing, be remitted on Bill No. 39.

Ordered, That the fees, less the actual cost of printing, be remitted on Bill (No. 39), City of Belleville By-law.

The following Bills were severally introduced and read the first time :—

Bill (No. 213), intituled "An Act to amend the Registry Act."—Mr. Gibson.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time To-morrow.

Bill (No. 214), intituled "An Act to amend the Act respecting Cheese and Butter Manufacturing Associations and Companies."—Mr. Dryden.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time To-morrow.

The following Bills were severally read the third time and passed :—

Bill (No. 14), Respecting By-law No. 109 of the Town of Welland.

Bill (No. 9), Respecting the Church of the Holy Trinity, Toronto.

On motion of Mr. Crawford, seconded by Mr. Foy,

Ordered, That Bill (No. 88), Respecting the Queen's Wharf Ferry, in the City of Toronto, be again referred to the Private Bills Committee for further consideration and report.

The Order of the Day for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 135), To amend the Local Courts Act, having been read,

The Debate was resumed,

And after some time, the Motion for the second reading having been again put, was lost on a division.

And so it was declared in the negative.

The House resolved itself into a Committee, severally to consider the following Bills :—

Bill (No. 64), To consolidate the Floating Debt of the Town of Brampton.

Bill (No. 80), Respecting the Incorporated Synod of the Diocese of Toronto.

Bill (No. 67), Relating to the Sault Ste. Marie and Hudson's Bay Railway Company.

Bill (No. 79), To consolidate the Debt of the Town of Leamington.

Bill (No. 87), Respecting the Trusts under the Marriage Settlement of Mildred Raymond and John Raymond.

Bill (No. 8) To incorporate the Toronto, Lindsay and Pembroke Railway Company.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Graham reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the several Bills with certain Amendments.

The Amendments, having been read the second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bills reported, be severally read the third time To-morrow.

The following Bills were severally read the second time :—

Bill (No. 71), Respecting the City of Ottawa.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 12), To confirm By-law No. 152 of the Village of Tara.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 25), To legalize and confirm By-laws 488 and 489 of the Town of Sarnia.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 38), To amend the Act to enable Edward Spencer Jenison to develop and improve a Water Privilege on the Kaministiquia River and extend the provisions thereof.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 49), To confirm By-law No. 361 of the Town of Gananoque.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 61), Respecting the London Street Railway Company.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 62), To authorize the Supreme Court of Judicature for Ontario to admit George Macgregor Gardner to practise as a Solicitor.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 81), Respecting the London Young Men's Christian Association.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 83), Respecting the Town of Fort William.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 143), Respecting the Town of Peterborough.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 149), Respecting St. Luke's General Hospital, Ottawa.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 56), Respecting the City of Kingston and the Dominion Cotton Mills Company.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 73), Respecting a certain By-law and Agreement of the Town of Cornwall.
Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 24), To incorporate the Hamilton and Caledonia Railway Company.
Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 142), Respecting the Hamilton, Chedoke and Ancaster Electric Street Railway Company, Limited.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 43), To incorporate the Worthington and Onaping Railway Company.
Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of Bill (No. 66), To enable Horatio C. Crease to practise Dentistry having been read,

Ordered, That the Order be discharged, and that the Bill be withdrawn.

On motion of Mr. Thompson, seconded by Mr. Duff,

Ordered, That the fees, less the actual cost of printing, be remitted on Bill (No. 66), H. C. Crease.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of Bill (No. 91), To amend the Workmen's Compensation for Injuries Act, having been read,

Mr. Crawford moved,

That the Bill be now read the second time.

Mr. Auld moved in amendment, seconded by Mr. Carpenter,

That all the words of the Motion after the word "That" be struck out and the following substituted "the Bill be not now read a second time, but that its consideration be deferred with a view to further enquiry with respect to the operation of similar legislation in Great Britain, the more especially as said Bill is defective in some of its most important provisions."

And a debate having ensued.

And the House having continued to sit until twelve of the clock midnight.

THURSDAY, 16th March, 1899.

The Debate was continued.

And, after some time, the amendment having been put, was carried on the following division :—

YEAS.

Messieurs :

Auld,	Clarke,	Harcourt,	McKe ,
Aylsworth,	Conmee,	Hardy,	Pardee,
Barber,	Davis,	Harty,	Pardo,
Bleizard,	Dickenson,	Hill,	Pettypiece,
Bowman,	Douglas,	Hislop,	Ross,
Bridgland,	Dryden,	Holmes,	Russell.
Brown,	Farwell,	Leys,	Smith,
Burt,	Ferguson,	Loughrin,	Stratton,
Caldwell,	German,	Lumsden,	Taylor,
Campbell,	Gibson,	Mutrie,	Truax—46.
Carpenter,	Graham,	Macnish,	
Charlton,	Guibord,	McKay,	

NAYS.

Messieurs :

Allen,	Duff,	Kidd,	Powell,
Barr,	Eilber,	Kribs,	Pyne,
Beatty (Leeds),	Fallis,	Little,	Reid (Addington),
Boyd,	Foy,	Lucas,	Reid (Durham),
Brower,	Fox,	Matheson,	Thompson,
Carnegie,	Hoyle,	Miscampbell,	Wardell,
Oolquoun,	Jamieson,	Morrison,	White,
Crawford,	Jessop,	McDonald,	Whitney—35
Dempsey,	Joyst,	McLaughlin,	

PAIRS.

Garrow ....	....	....	Carscallen.
Pattullo ....	....	....	Hodgens.
Beatty (Parry Sound) ....	....	....	Gallagher.
Richardson ....	....	....	Tucker.
Malcolm ....	....	....	Marter.

The Main Motion, as amended, having been then put, was carried, and it was

Resolved, That the Bill be not now read the second time, but that its consideration be deferred with a view to further enquiry with respect to the operation of similar legislation in Great Britain, the more especially as said Bill is defective in some of its most important provisions.

The House then adjourned at 1 a.m.

Thursday, March 16th, 1899.

3 O'CLOCK P.M.

PRAYERS.

The following Petitions were severally brought up and laid upon the Table :—

By Mr. Pardo, the Petition of the Chatham Gas Company, Limited.

By Mr. Truax, five Petitions of the County Council of Bruce ; also, the Petition of the Township Council of Culross.

The following Petitions were read and received :—

Of the Dutton High School Board, praying certain amendments to the High School Act, respecting County Aid.

Of the Township Council of East Gwillimbury, praying that County Councils be not given the control of Street Railways within their limits.

Mr. Gibson from the Standing Committee on Private Bills presented their Fifteenth Report, which was read as follows and adopted :—

The Committee have carefully considered

Bill (No. 70), "An Act respecting the Town of Kincardine."

Bill (No. 85), "An Act to enable the Corporation of the Town of Cobourg to encourage the building of summer hotels, and to grant a bonus to the proprietors of the Cobourg Woollen Mills, and to confirm a certain agreement relating thereto."

Bill (No. 90), "An Act respecting the Village of Winchester."

Bill (No. 140), "An Act to confirm By-law No. 880 of the Town of Owen Sound, and to authorize the issue of debentures thereunder, and to confirm an agreement made between the said corporation and John George Hay and Archibald Hay,"

And report the same with amendments thereto respectively.

The Committee have also amended the preambles to Bills Nos. 70, 85, 90 and 140, so as to make the same conform with the facts as they appear to the Committee.

The Committee have also amended the title to Bill (No. 85), so that the same now reads, "An Act respecting the Town of Cobourg."

The Committee have also amended the title to Bill (No. 140), so that the same now reads, "An Act respecting the Town of Owen Sound."

The Committee have re-considered Bill (No. 88), "An Act respecting the Queen's Wharf Ferry in the City of Toronto," which Bill was again referred to the Committee by this Honourable House, and report the same with amendments.

The Committee have also amended the title to Bill (No. 88), so that the same now reads, "An Act respecting the Toronto Chain Ferry."

The following Bills were severally introduced and read the first time:—

Bill (No. 215), intituled "An Act respecting the law of Insurance."—Mr. Gibson.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time To-morrow.

Bill (No. 216), intituled "An Act to amend the Act respecting Coroners."—Mr. Lumsden.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time To-morrow.

Bill (No. 217), intituled "An Act to amend the Public School Act."—Mr. Hill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time To-morrow.

Bill (No. 218), intituled "An Act to amend the Mechanics and Wage Earners Lien Act."—Mr. Leys.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time To-morrow.

The Attorney-General moved, seconded by Mr. Ross.

That in the opinion of this House, the provisions of the British North America Act respecting the constitution and powers of the Senate of Canada are at variance with the well understood principles of responsible government and should be brought more into harmony with those principles by an amendment to the said Act substantially providing that if the House of Commons passes any Bill and the Senate reject such Bill and fails to pass it, or passes it with any amendment or amendments to which the House of Commons shall not agree and to which amendment or amendments the Senate adheres, the Governor-General may, by message upon the advice of his Council, convene a joint sitting of the two Houses, at which the questions in controversy and the final passage of such Bill shall be decided by a joint vote of the two Houses without debate.

Further, that it is the opinion of this House that the British North America Act should be so amended as to provide that Senators should be appointed or chosen for a limited term of years only and not for life, as at present.

Mr. Whitney moved in amendment, seconded by Mr. Matheson,

That all the words of the Motion after the first word "That" be struck out and the following substituted therefor, "this House desires to express its hearty appreciation of the great public service rendered by the Senate of Canada, with reference to the Yukon Bill, and the Drummond County Railway Bill."

And a Debate having arisen,

And the House having continued to sit until Twelve of the Clock midnight.

FRIDAY, 17th March, 1899.

The Debate was continued.

And, after some time, it was

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned until the next Sitting of the House To day.

The House then adjourned at 12.05 a.m.

Friday, 17th March, 1899.

3 O'CLOCK P.M.

PRAYERS.

The following Petition was brought up and laid upon the Table :—

By Mr. Pardo, the Petition of the Township Council of Raleigh.

The following Petitions were read and received :—

Of John A. Mundle and others of Prescott, praying that Bill (No. 171), to amend the Municipal Act, may not pass.

Of W. W. Buchanan and others of Hamilton, praying certain amendments to the Municipal Act, respecting the Hare-Spence Quota System of Voting.

Mr. Gibson from the Standing Committee on Private Bills presented their Sixteenth Report, which was read as follows and adopted :—

The Committee have carefully considered

Bill (No. 19), "An Act respecting the Brantford Gas Company," and

Bill (No. 51), "An Act respecting the debenture debt of the Town of Sarnia," and

Bill (No. 146), "An Act respecting the Town of Sault Ste. Marie, the Lake Superior Power Company, the Sault Ste. Marie Pulp and Paper Company, the Tagona Water and Light Company, and others,"

And have made certain amendments thereto respectively.

The Committee have also amended the preambles to Bills Nos. 19, 51 and 146, so as to make the same conform with the facts as they appear to the Committee.

The Committee have also considered

Bill (No. 145), "An Act respecting the Toronto Railway Company," and find the preamble thereof not proven on the ground that in the opinion of the Committee the legislation asked for in the Bill is not desirable or expedient.

The Committee have also considered

Bill (No. 74), "An Act respecting the Village of Exeter," and have amended the preamble to the Bill so as to make the same conform with the facts as they appear to the Committee.

The Committee have also considered

Bill (No. 27), "An Act respecting the Town of Seaforth," and Bill (No. 33), "An Act respecting the Town of Seaforth" together, and have combined the several clauses of the Bills Nos. 27 and 33 under one Bill (No. 27), and report the same with amendments.

The Committee recommend that the fees, less the actual cost of printing, be remitted on Bills Nos. 33 and 145.

The Committee also recommend that Rule No. 51 of this Honourable House be further suspended in this, that the time for receiving Reports from the Standing Committee on Private Bills be further extended until and inclusive of Wednesday the 22nd day of March instant.

Ordered, That the fees, less the actual cost of printing, be remitted on Bill (No. 33), Town of Seaforth, and on Bill (No. 145), Toronto Railway Company.

Ordered, That the time for presenting Reports from the Standing Committees on Private Bills be further extended until and inclusive of Wednesday the twenty-second day of March, instant.

Mr. Stratton from the Standing Committee on Printing presented their Second Report, which was read as follows:—

The Committee recommend that the following documents be printed:—

Report of the Minister of Education for the year 1898, with Statistics for the year 1897. *Sessional Papers No. 34.*

The thirteenth Report of the Commissioners for the Queen Victoria Niagara Falls Park. (*Sessional Papers No. 34*)

Report of the Provincial Municipal Auditor for the year 1898. (*Sessional Papers No. 41*).

The Committee recommend that two thousand copies of the abbreviated Report relating to the registration of Births, Deaths and Marriages, and only one hundred copies of the full Report, *i.e.*, with Appendix, be printed for the Legislature, instead of 2070 copies of the whole Report as heretofore.

Two thousand copies of the Report relating to the Provincial Board of Health and one hundred copies of the Report and Appendix.

The Committee further recommend that only six hundred copies of all Bills relating to Municipal and Assessment Acts, be printed, and that the distribution be the same as that of Private Bills *i.e.*, two copies to each member and twenty copies to the Member introducing the Bill.

And that the number of all Public Bills printed, be reduced from 1550 to 1250 copies —each member to receive two copies of each Bill.

The Committee further recommend that 100 copies of Ethelbert F. H. Cross's work, "Fire and Frost," be procured for the use of the Legislature.

That 100 copies of the "Consolidated Labour Laws" of Ontario, published by Carswell & Co., be procured for the use of the Legislature.

Also, that twelve copies of the Encyclopaedia of Canada, by J. Castell Hopkins, be procured for the use of the Legislature.

Also, that 100 copies of the "Shareholders and Directors Manual" be obtained for the use of the Legislature.

The following Bills were severally introduced and read the first time :—

Bill (No. 219), intituled "An Act to amend the Municipal Drainage Act."—Mr. Carpenter.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Monday next.

Bill (No. 220), intituled "An Act to amend the Act respecting Libel and Slander."—Mr. Powell.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Monday next.

Bill (No. 221), intituled "An Act to amend the Municipal Act."—Mr. Guibord.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Monday next.

Bill (No. 222), intituled "An Act to amend the Mines Act."—Mr. Gibson.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Monday next.

Bill (No. 223), intituled "An Act to amend the Judicature Act."—Mr. German.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Monday next.

Bill (No. 224), intituled "An Act respecting Succession Duties."—Mr. Harcourt.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Tuesday next.

The following Bills were severally read the third time and passed :—

Bill (No. 41), To consolidate certain debts of the Town of Simcoe.

Bill (No. 35), To authorize the Town of Goderich to borrow \$25,000.

Bill (No. 37), Respecting the debenture indebtedness of the Village of Blyth.

Bill (No. 31), Respecting the Town of Goderich.

Bill (No. 59), Respecting the floating debt of the Town of Brockville.

Bill (No. 67), Relating to the Sault Ste. Marie and Hudson's Bay Railway Company.

Bill (No. 87), Respecting the Trusts under the Marriage Settlement of Mildred Raymond and John Raymond.

Bill (No. 8), To incorporate the Toronto, Lindsay and Pembroke Railway Company.

On motion of Mr. Carscallen, seconded by Mr. Crawford,

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return shewing the total amount of moneys now on deposit in, or subject to, the control and distribution of the Supreme Court of Judicature for Ontario, or either division thereof; the style of cause of each action or proceeding in which such moneys have been so paid in, and the County in which each action or proceeding was commenced as far as practicable, together with the amount now standing to the credit of each such action or proceeding; the names of the persons by whom such payments were respectively made, and on what account, where practicable; the names and last known addresses of the persons entitled thereto, in all cases in which

no payment out of Court has been made within the last ten years, so far as appears by the books and papers in the office of the Accountant of the Supreme Court of Judicature for Ontario, and the amounts due to said persons respectively, so far as appears by the said books.

On motion of Mr. Carscallen, seconded by Mr. Crawford,

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return, shewing specifically the nature and amount of each investment now outstanding of the moneys or funds of infants and others in Court, the date when each such investment was made, the rate of interest the same bears, when and how payable, and the security held for each of such investments.

On motion of Mr. Barr, seconded by Mr. Hoyle,

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of copies of all correspondence and petitions in connection with the appointment of the License Commissioners for the County of Dufferin for the present year.

On motion of Mr. Barr, seconded by Mr. Hoyle,

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return showing all temporary Employés in the service of the Government of Ontario in the City of Toronto, amount paid to each with their names and length of time that each was employed.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of Bill (No. 132), To amend the Registry Act, having been read,

Mr. Brown moved,

That the Bill be now read the second time,

And objection having been taken by the Attorney-General, that the Bill was in the nature of a Private Bill, and such contention being sustained, the Order was discharged and the Bill withdrawn by the promoter thereof.

The following Bills were severally read the second time :—

Bill (No. 168), To amend the Municipal Act, respecting Tax Exemptions.

Referred to the Municipal Committee.

Bill (No. 172), To amend the Municipal Act.

Referred to the Municipal Committee.

Bill (No. 175), To amend the Municipal Act.

Referred to the Municipal Committee.

Bill (No. 183), To amend the Assessment Act.

Referred to the Municipal Committee.

Bill (No. 182), To amend the Municipal Act.

Referred to the Municipal Committee.

Bill (No. 186), To amend the Gas and Water Companies Act.

Referred to the Municipal Committee.

Bill (No. 192), To amend the Municipal Act touching Police Commissioners in Cities.

Referred to the Municipal Committee.

Bill (No. 201), To amend The Municipal Drainage Act.

Referred to the Municipal Committee.

Bill (No. 16), To confirm By-law No. 234 of the Town of Newmarket.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House on Monday next.

Bill (No. 26), To authorize Jacob Zielinski to practice the Eclectic System of Medicine in Ontario.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House on Monday next.

Bill (No. 53), Respecting the Town of Lindsay.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House on Monday next.

Bill (No. 86), Respecting the Town of Whitby.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House on Monday next.

Bill (No. 11), Respecting By-law No. 462 of the Town of Dundas.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House on Monday next.

Bill (No. 148), Respecting By-law No. 1797 of the City of Ottawa and to authorize the Corporation of the City of Ottawa to raise money upon the security of Lansdowne Park.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House on Monday next.

Bill (No. 70), Respecting the Town of Kincardine.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House on Monday next.

Bill (No. 85), Respecting the Town of Cobourg.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House on Monday next.

Bill (No. 90), Respecting the Village of Winchester.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House on Monday next.

Bill (No. 88), Respecting the Toronto Chain Ferry.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House on Monday next.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of Bill (No. 173), To amend The Municipal Act having been read,

Ordered, That the Order be discharged, and that the Bill be withdrawn.

The House resolved itself into a Committee, severally to consider the following Bills :—

Bill (No. 29), Respecting the Town of Orillia.

Bill (No. 55), To amend the Act incorporating the Smith's Falls, Rideau and Southern Railway Company.

Bill (No. 12), To confirm By-law No. 152 of the Village of Tara.

Bill (No. 25), To legalize and confirm By-laws 488 and 489 of the Town of Sarnia.

Bill (No. 56), Confirming the City of Kingston and the Dominion Cotton Mills Company.

Bill (No. 73), Respecting a certain By-law and Agreement of the Town of Cornwall.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; and Mr. Stratton reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the several Bills with certain amendments.

The amendments, having been read the second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bills reported, be severally read the third time on Monday next

Mr. Davis presented to the House by Command of His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor :—

Report of the Department of Immigration. (*Sessional Papers No. 6.*)

Also—Report upon the Common Gaols, Prisons and Reformatories of the Province for the year 1898. (*Sessional Papers No. 12.*)

Also—Report of the Superintendent of Spraying for the year 1898. (*Sessional Papers No. 22.*)

Also—Report of the Ontario Game and Fish Commission. (*Sessional Papers No. 33.*)

The House then adjourned at 6.05 p.m.

Monday, 20th March, 1899.

3 O'CLOCK P.M.

PRAYERS.

Mr. Speaker informed the House, That he had received from the Judges selected for the trial of Election Petitions pursuant to the Controverted Elections Act of Ontario, Certificate and Report relating to the Election for the Electoral District of :—

The North Riding of Waterloo.

The Certificate and Report was then read by the Clerk at the Table, as follows :—

IN THE COURT OF APPEAL FOR ONTARIO.

THE ONTARIO CONTROVERTED ELECTIONS ACT.

Election of a member for the Electoral District of the North Riding of the County of Waterloo, holden on the 22nd day of February and the 1st day of March, 1898.

Between

Jacob Shoemaker,
Petitioner,

and

Henry George Lackner,
Respondent.

Tuesday the 14th day of March, 1899.

I, James Strachan Cartwright, Registrar of the Court of Appeal for Ontario, do hereby certify :—

1. That the Honourable Mr. Justice Rose and the Honourable Mr. Justice McMahon on the 22nd day of October, 1898, certified to this Court that at the Town of Berlin and the City of Toronto, on the 22nd day of September, 1898, and the 14th day of October, 1898, respectively, they held a Court for the trial of and there tried the Petition respecting the above mentioned election.

2. That at the said trial they found and determined that the election of the respondent, Henry George Lackner, was void by reason of certain corrupt practices, that is to say, bribery which had been committed by one J. M. Scully and others, agents of the said Henry George Lackner.

3. They further certified and reported that no corrupt practices were proved before them to have been committed by or with the knowledge and consent of either of the candidates at the said election.

4. That there was no reason to believe that corrupt practices extensively prevailed at the said election, save the practice of corruptly treating the electors by the agent or agents of the candidate, which did extensively prevail.

5. They further certified and reported that the following persons were proved at the said trial to have been guilty of corrupt practices, that is to say : John R. Eden, William Wessler, Hugh G. Roberts, Michael Schell and J. M. Scully.

6. And I further certify that an appeal was taken to this Court on behalf of the above named Respondent, Henry George Lackner, from the judgment of the said trial Judges on the grounds following :—

(a) That the particulars furnished by the Petitioner of the alleged corrupt practices on the part of the Respondent or his agents at the said election were defective.

(b) That a portion of said trial took place on the 22nd day of September, 1898, while the Legislative Assembly was in Session, and the remainder thereof on the 14th day of

October, 1898, after the Legislative Assembly had been prorogued by proclamation of the Lieutenant-Governor on the 12th day of October, 1898, and therefore within fifteen days after the close of the Session contrary to the Statute in that case made and provided, there having been no consent by the said Respondent to proceed with the said trial within the meaning of Section 48 of the Ontario Controverted Elections Act, and that the said trial was illegal.

(c) That the facts as proved at the said trial did not constitute any offence against Section 162 of the said Elections Act.

7. I further certify that a cross appeal was taken on behalf of the above named petitioner, Jacob Shoemaker, from the said judgment on the ground that the evidence given at the said trial disclosed no offence or offences on the part of the respondent, Henry George Lackner, within section 161 of the said Ontario Controverted Elections Act.

8. And I further certify that the said appeal and cross appeal came on for hearing on the 24th and 25th days of January, 1899, when the Court was pleased to direct that the same should stand over for judgment; and the same having come on this day for judgment, it was ordered and adjudged that the said determination of the said trial judges should be affirmed, not on the ground that any offences had been committed by J. M. Scully and others within sections 161 and 162 of the Elections Act or that any act of bribery had been committed by the said Scully within section 159 of the said Act; but on the ground only of certain acts of bribery committed by two agents of the Respondent, Henry George Lackner, without his knowledge or consent, that is to say, the bribery of the said William Wessler by the before mentioned John R. Eden, and the bribery of the said Michael Schell by the before mentioned Hugh G. Roberts.

And it was further ordered and adjudged that the Report and Certificate of the said trial Judges should be varied and amended accordingly; and that the said respondent, Henry George Lackner, was not entitled to the benefit of section 172 of the said Ontario Controverted Elections Act, and that the said appeal and cross appeal should be and the same were both dismissed with costs.

JAMES S. CARTWRIGHT,

Registrar of the Court of Appeal.

To the Honourable the Speaker of the Legislative Assembly.

Ordered, That the foregoing Certificate and Report be entered on the Journals of this House.

The following Petitions were severally brought up and laid upon the Table :—

By Mr. Malcolm, the Petition of the Township Council of Elderslie.

By Mr. Guibord, the Petition of the Township Council of Osgoode and others.

The following Petitions were read and received :—

Of the Town Council of Culross, praying certain amendments to the Assessment Act, respecting the taxation of telephone and telegraph plant.

Of the County Council of Bruce, praying for the passing of a uniform law to regulate the use of bicycles on the Public Highways.

Of the County Council of Bruce, praying for the restoration of Primary Examinations and the granting of Primary Certificates.

Of the County Council of Bruce, praying certain amendments to the Election Act, respecting the custody of Voter's Lists.

Of the County Council of Bruce, praying certain amendments to the Juror's Act, respecting the cost of selection of Jurors.

Of the Chatham Gas Company, Limited, praying that the capital stock of gas and electric lighting companies in cities of less than fifteen thousand of a population, may not be included in the proposed revenue measure before the House.

The following Bills were severally introduced and read the first time :—

Bill (No. 225), intituled "An Act to amend the Separate Schools Act."—Mr. Ross.
Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time To-morrow.

Bill (No. 226), intituled "An Act respecting Executions and Sheriffs."—Mr. Garrow.
Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time To-morrow.

The following Bills were severally read the third time and passed :—

Bill (No. 22), Respecting the Hamilton Young Women's Christian Association and Technical Institute.

Bill (No. 13), Respecting the Township of Madoc.

Bill (No. 17), Respecting the Village of Madoc.

Bill (No. 57), To consolidate the Debt of the Town of Collingwood.

Bill (No. 42), Respecting the Toronto Hotel Company.

The Order of the Day for the third reading of Bill (No 50), Respecting Knox Church, Toronto, having been read.

Ordered, That the Order be discharged, and that the Bill be forthwith referred back to a Committee of the Whole, with instructions to amend the same.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Pattullo reported, That the Committee had amended the Bill as directed.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time forthwith.

The Bill was then read the third time, and passed.

The House resolved itself into a Committee, severally to consider the following Bills :—

Bill (No. 34), Respecting the City of London.

Bill (No. 62), To authorize the Supreme Court of Judicature for Ontario to admit George Macgregor Gardner to practise as a Solicitor.

Bill (No. 81), Respecting the London Young Men's Christian Association.

Bill (No. 11), Respecting By-law No. 462 of the Town of Dundas.

Bill (No. 149), Respecting St. Luke's General Hospital, Ottawa.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; and Mr. Charlton reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the several Bills with certain Amendments.

The Amendments, having been read the second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bills reported, be severally read the third time To-morrow.

The following Bills were severally read the second time :—

Bill (No. 140), Respecting the Town of Owen Sound.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 19), Respecting the Brantford Gas Company.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 51), Respecting the Debenture Debt of the Town of Sarnia.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 74), Respecting the Village of Exeter.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 162), To incorporate the Ontario Historical Society.

Referred to a Select Committee to be composed as follows :—Messieurs Ross, Barber, Bridgland, Guibord, Macnish, Lumsden, Foy, Carscallen, Jamieson, Powell, Miscampbell and Pattullo.

Bill (No. 191), To amend the Act respecting the establishment of Municipal Institutions in Territorial Districts.

Referred to the Municipal Committee.

Bill (No. 195), To amend the Municipal Act.

Referred to the Municipal Committee.

Bill (No. 196), To amend the Ditches and Watercourses Act.

Referred to the Municipal Committee.

Bill (No. 198), Respecting pasture lands and liens held on stock placed thereon for unpaid purchase money.

Referred to the Legal Committee.

Bill (No. 199), To amend the Assessment Act.

Referred to the Municipal Committee.

Bill (No. 200), To amend the Municipal Act.

Referred to the Municipal Committee.

Bill (No. 202), To amend the Registry Act.

Referred to the Legal Committee.

Bill (No. 207), To amend the Ontario Game Protection Act.

Referred to the Legal Committee.

Bill (No. 128), To amend the Ontario Game Protection Act.

Referred to the Legal Committee.

Bill (No. 208), To amend the Public Health Act.

Referred to the Municipal Committee.

The House then adjourned at 5 p.m.

Tuesday, 21st March, 1899.

3 o'CLOCK P.M.

PRAYERS.

The following Petitions were severally brought up and laid upon the Table :—

By Mr. Boyd, the Petition of the County Council of Gray.

By Mr. Powell, the Petition of the Allied Trades and Labour Association ; also, the Petition of M. Quinn and others all of Ottawa.

The following Petition was read and received :

Of the Township Council of Raleigh, praying certain amendments to the Municipal Act, respecting the composition of Municipal Councils.

Mr. Gibson from the Standing Committee on Private Bills presented their Seventeenth Report, which was read as follows and adopted :—

The Committee have carefully considered

Bill (No. 7), "An Act respecting The Ontario Lands and Oil Company, Limited," and are of opinion that special legislation for this purpose should not be granted, and that the Petitioners should make their application to the Lieutenant Governor in Council for the powers sought for in their petition pursuant to the provisions of The Ontario Joint Stock Companies Letters Patent Act under the notices already given in pursuance of the provisions of the Statute in that behalf, and the Bill having been withdrawn the Committee recommend that the fees, less the actual cost of printing, be remitted thereon.

The Committee have also carefully considered

Bill (No. 23), "An Act incorporating The Carman Natural Gas Company of Ontario."

Bill (No. 82), "An Act respecting the Corporation of the Town of Midland."

Bill (No. 28), "An Act to confirm an agreement between the Town of Perth and The Perth Waterworks Company, Limited, and for other purposes."

Bill (No. 18), "An Act respecting By-Law No. 304 of the Village of Southampton."

Bill (No. 32), "An Act to confirm By-law No. 779 of the City of Stratford."

Bill (No. 141), "An Act to confirm a certain By-law of the Town of Palmerston," and

Bill (No. 46), "An Act respecting the Town of Port Arthur," and report the same with amendments.

The Committee have also amended the preambles to the said Bills Nos. 23, 82, 28, 18, 32, 141 and 46 so as to make the same conform with the facts as they appear to the Committee.

The Committee have also considered

Bill (No. 147), "An Act to revise and consolidate the Acts respecting the Water Works Commission of the City of St. Catharines," and are of opinion that sufficient notice of the purposes for which the Bill was introduced has not been given, on the ground that the consolidation, revision and amendments of the several Acts sought for should have been specifically set out in the published notices, and the Bill (No. 147) having been withdrawn the Committee recommend that the fees, less the actual cost of printing, be remitted.

Mr. Dryden from the Standing Committee on Railways presented their Sixth Report, which was read as follows and adopted :—

The Committee have carefully examined the following Bills and have prepared certain amendments thereto respectively :—

Bill (No. 58), To incorporate The Nickel Range Railway Company.

Bill (No. 89), To incorporate The Nipigon Railway Company, and
Bill (No. 84), To incorporate The North Lanark Railway Company.

The Committee have also amended the preambles to the said Bills so as to make the same conform with the facts as they appear to the Committee.

The Committee have also carefully considered Bill (No. 144), To incorporate the Toronto Elevated Railway Company, and find the preamble of the Bill not proven, on the ground that legislation in the premises is not necessary or desirable.

Ordered, That the fees, less the actual cost of printing, be remitted on Bill (No. 147), St. Catharines Water Works, and on Bill (No. 7), Ontario Lands and Oil Company.

The following Bills were severally introduced and read the first time :—

Bill (No. 227), intituled "An Act to amend the Municipal Drainage Act."—Mr. Ferguson.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time To-morrow.

Bill (No. 228), intituled "An Act to amend the Statute Law."—The Attorney-General.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time To-morrow.

The following Bills were severally read the third time and passed :—

Bill (No. 48), Respecting the Town of Oshawa.

Bill (No. 72), Respecting the Village of Merrickville.

Bill (No. 81), Respecting the London Young Men's Christian Association.

The Order of the Day for resuming the Adjourned Debate on the Resolutions *in re* Senate Reform, having been read,

The Debate was resumed,

And after some time,

Mr. Carscallen moved in amendment to the Amendment, seconded by Mr. Colquhoun, That the following words be added to the Amendment, "and deprecates any change in the Constitution of the Senate by which the equilibrium between the several Provinces of the Dominion of Canada, as established by the British North America Act, may be disturbed."

And a Debate ensuing,

And the House having continued to sit until Twelve of the clock midnight.

WEDNESDAY, 22nd March, 1899.

The Debate was continued, and

After some time, the amendment to the Amendment having been put, was lost on the following division :—

YEAS.

Messieurs :

Allen,	Eilber,	Kidd,	Powell,
Barr,	Fallis,	Kribs,	Pyne,
Beatty (Leeds),	Foy,	Little,	Reid (Addington),
Boyd,	Fox,	Lucas,	Thomson,
Brower,	Gallagher,	Marter,	Wardell,
Carnegie,	Hodgens,	Matheson,	White,
Carscallen,	Hoyle,	Miscampbell,	Whitney—37.
Colquhoun,	Jamieson,	Morrison,	
Dempsey,	Jessop,	McDonald,	
Duff,	Joynt,	McLaughlin,	

NAYS.

Messieurs :

Auld,	Clarke,	Guibord,	Macnish,
Aylsworth,	Connee,	Harcourt,	McKay,
Barber,	Davis,	Hardy,	McKee,
Beatty (Parry Sound),	Dickenson,	Harty,	Pardee,
Blezard,	Douglas,	Hill,	Pardo,
Bridgland,	Dryden,	Hislop,	Pattullo,
Brown,	Farwell,	Holmes,	Pettypiece,
Burt,	Ferguson,	Leys,	Richardson,
Caldwell,	Garrow,	Loughrin,	Ross,
Campbell,	German,	Lumsden,	Russell,
Carpenter,	Gibson,	Malcolm,	Taylor,
Charlton,	Graham,	Mutrie.	Truax—48.

PAIRS.

Stratton	....	....	....	....	....	Reid (Durham.)
Bowman	....	....	....	....	....	Crawford.
Smith	....	....	....	....	....	Tucker.

The Amendment, having been then put, was lost on the following division :—

YEAS.

Messieurs :

Allen,	Eilber,	Kidd,	Powell,
Barr,	Fallis,	Kribs,	Pyne,
Beatty (Leeds),	Foy,	Little,	Reid (Addington),
Boyd,	Fox,	Lucas,	Thomson,
Brower,	Gallagher,	Marter,	Wardell,
Carnegie,	Hodgens,	Matheson,	White,
Carscallen,	Hoyle,	Miscampbell,	Whitney—37.
Colquhoun,	Jamieson,	Morrison,	
Dempsey,	Jessop,	McDonald,	
Duff,	Joynt,	McLaughlin,	

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Auld,	Clarke,	Guibord,	Macnish,
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Beatty (Parry Sound),	Dickenson,	Harty,	Pardee,
Bleizard,	Douglas,	Hill,	Pardo,
Bridgland,	Dryden,	Hislop,	Pattullo,
Brown,	Farwell,	Holmes,	Pettypiece,
Burt,	Ferguson,	Leys,	Richardson,
Caldwell,	Garrow,	Loughrin,	Ross,
Campbell,	German,	Lumsden,	Ruesell,
Carpenter,	Gibson,	Malcolm,	Taylor,
Charlton,	Graham,	Mutrie,	Truax—48.

PAIRS.

Stratton	....	....	....	Reid (Durham).
Bowman	...	....	....	Crawford.
Smith	....	....	....	Tucker.

The Original Motion, having been then again put, was carried on the following division :—

YEAS.

Messieurs :

Auld,	Clarke,	Guibord,	Macnish,
Aylsworth,	Conmee,	Harcourt,	McKay,
Barber,	Davis,	Hardy,	McKee,
Beatty (Parry Sound),	Dickenson,	Harty,	Pardee,
Bleizard,	Douglas,	Hill,	Pardo,
Bridgland,	Dryden,	Hislop,	Pattullo,
Brown,	Farwell,	Holmes,	Pettypiece,
Burt,	Ferguson,	Leys,	Richardson,
Caldwell,	Garrow,	Loughrin,	Ross,
Campbell,	German,	Lumsden,	Russell,
Carpenter,	Gibson,	Malcolm,	Taylor,
Charlton,	Graham,	Mutrie,	Truax—48.

NAYS.

Messieurs :

Allen,	Eilber,	Joynt,	McDonald,
Barr,	Fallis,	Kidd,	McLaughlin,
Beatty (Leeds),	Foy,	Kribs,	Powell,
Boyd,	Fox,	Little,	Pyne,
Brower,	Gallagher,	Lucas,	Reid (Addington),
Carnegie,	Hodgens,	Marter,	Thompson,
Carscallen,	Hoyle,	Matheson,	Wardell,
Colquhoun,	Jamieson,	Miscampbell,	White,
Dempsey,	Jessop,	Morrison,	Whitney—37.
Duff,			

PAIRS.

Stratton	....	....	....	....	....	Reid (Durham.)
Bowman	..	....	....	....	....	Crawford.
Smith	....	....	....	....	....	Tucker.

And it was

Resolved, That in the opinion of this House, the provisions of the British North America Act respecting the constitution and powers of the Senate of Canada are at variance with the well understood principles of responsible government and should be brought more into harmony with those principles by an amendment to the said Act substantially providing that if the House of Commons passes any Bill and the Senate reject such Bill and fails to pass it, or passes it with any amendment or amendments to which the House of Commons shall not agree and to which amendment or amendments the Senate adheres, the Governor General may, by message upon the advice of his Council, convene a joint sitting of the two Houses, at which the questions in controversy and the final passage of such Bill shall be decided by a joint vote of the two Houses without debate.

Further, that it is the opinion of this House that the British North America Act should be so amended as to provide that Senators should be appointed or chosen for a limited term of years only and not for life, as at present.

The Attorney-General then moved, seconded by Mr. Ross,

That an humble address be presented to Her Majesty the Queen, to be signed by the Speaker and Clerk of this House, embodying the Resolutions respecting the Senate of Canada adopted by this House this day, and praying that such amendments may be made to the British North America Act as will carry the same into effect and that the address be transmitted to His Excellency the Governor-General for the purpose of presentation to Her Majesty, and that a copy thereof be sent to the Secretary of State for Canada.

And the Motion having been put, was carried on the following division :—

YEAS.

Messieurs :

Auld,	Clarke,	Guibord,	Macnish,
Aylsworth,	Conmee,	Harcourt,	McKay,
Barber,	Davis,	Hardy,	McKee,
Beatty (Parry Sound),	Dickenson,	Harty,	Pardee,
Blezard,	Douglas,	Hill,	Pardo,
Bridgland,	Dryden,	Hislop,	Pattullo,
Brown,	Farwell,	Holmes,	Pettypiece,
Burt,	Ferguson,	Leys,	Richardson,
Oaldwell,	Garrow,	Loughrin,	Ross,
Campbell,	German,	Lumsden,	Russell,
Carpenter,	Gibson,	Malcolm,	Taylor,
Charlton,	Graham,	Mutrie,	Truax—48.

NAYS.

Messieurs :

Allen,	Eilber,	Joynt,	McDonald,
Barr,	Fallis,	Kidd,	McLaughlin,
Beatty (Leeds),	Foy,	Kribis,	Powell,
Boyd,	Fox,	Little,	Pyne,
Brower,	Gallagher,	Lucas,	Reid (Addington),
Carnegie,	Hodgins,	Marter,	Thompson,
Carscallen,	Hoyle,	Matheson,	Wardell,
Colquhoun,	Jamieson,	Miscampbell,	White,
Dempsey,	Jessop,	Morrison,	Whitney—37.
Duff,			

PAIRS.

Stratton .....	.....	.....	.....	..... Reid (Durham).
Bowman ..	....	....	....	Crawford.
Smith .....	....	....	....	Tucker.

And it was,

Resolved, That an humble address be presented to Her Majesty the Queen, to be signed by the Speaker and Clerk of this House, embodying the resolutions respecting the Senate of Canada adopted by this House this day and praying that such amendments may be made to the British North America Act as will carry the same into effect and that the address be transmitted to His Excellency the Governor-General for the purpose of presentation to Her Majesty and that a copy thereof be sent to the Secretary of State for Canada.

The Attorney-General then moved, seconded by Mr. Ross,

That the Address be engrossed and be presented to His Excellency the Governor-General by such members of this House as are members of the Executive Council.

And the Motion, having been put, was carried on the following division :—

YEAS.

Messieurs :

Auld,	Clarke,	Guibord,	Macnish,
Aylsworth,	Conmee,	Harcourt,	McKay,
Barber,	Davis,	Hardy,	McKee,
Beatty (Parry Sound)	Dickenson,	Harty,	Pardee,
Blezard,	Douglas,	Hill,	Pardo,
Bridgland,	Dryden,	Hislop,	Pattullo,
Brown,	Farwell,	Holmes,	Pettypiece,
Burt,	Ferguson,	Leys,	Richardson,
Caldwell,	Garrow,	Loughrin,	Ross,
Campbell,	German,	Lumsden,	Russell,
Carpenter,	Gibson,	Malcolm,	Taylor,
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Messieurs :

Allen,	Eilber,	Joynt,	McDonald,
Barr,	Fallis,	Kidd,	McLaughlin,
Beatty (Leeds),	Foy,	Kribs,	Powell,
Boyd,	Fox,	Little,	Pyne,
Brower,	Gallagher,	Lucas,	Reid (Addington),
Carnegie,	Hodgens,	Marter,	Thompson,
Carscallen,	Hoyle,	Matheson,	Wardell,
Colquhoun,	Jamieson,	Mis campbell,	White,
Dempsey,	Jessop,	Morrison,	Whitney—37.
Duff,			

PAIRS.

Stratton	....	....	....	....	Reid (Durham)
Bowman	..	....	....	....	Crawford
Smith..	....	....	....	....	Tucker

And it was

Resolved, That the address be engrossed and be presented to His Excellency the Governor-General by such members of this House as are members of the Executive Council.

Mr. Davis presented to the House :—

Return to an Order of the House of the sixth day of March instant, for a Return, showing all fees paid to Alfred Stundén, a constable of the Town of Bracebridge, in connection with the enforcement of the Game Laws of the Province. (*Sessional Papers*, No. 72.)

Also—Return to an Order of the House of the sixth day of March instant, for a Return, giving the number of circular letters, sent from the office of the Chief Game Warden, soliciting answers to a series of questions as to shooting deer while in the water. The names, addresses, occupations or professions of those to whom such circulars were addressed. Also, shewing the amount of money received from the sale of permits to kill deer during the season of 1898. Also, shewing balance left after paying salaries of Game Wardens, all expenses of offices and all moneys paid to or on behalf of Game and Fish Commissioners during the year 1898, in so far as the information is not contained in the Report of the Department. (*Sessional Papers*, No. 70.)

Also.—Return to an Order of the House of the sixth day of March, instant, for a Return, giving the names, addresses, occupations or professions of all persons to whom permits were granted, during the year 1898, to collect birds, birds nests and eggs under provisions of the Act of 1889 for the protection of insectivorous and other birds. Also, of renewals and new permits which have been granted during the current year. Also, shewing number of convictions for violations of the Act during the year 1898, and specifying localities. (*Sessional Papers*, No. 71.)

The House then adjourned at 12.15 a.m.

Wednesday, 22nd March, 1899.

3 O'CLOCK P.M.

PRAYERS.

The following Petitions were severally brought up and laid upon the Table :—

By Mr. Richardson, the Petition of J. A. E. Switzer and others of Richmond Hill.

By Mr. Fallis, the Petition of W. Williamson and others of Port Hope.

By Mr. Eilber, the Petition of Thomas Sutton and others of Exeter.

By Mr. Jessop, the Petition of Grobb Brothers and others, of St. Catharines.

By Mr. Russell, the Petition of P. Slavin & Co. and others, of Deseronto.

By Mr. Holmes, the Petition of William Scott and others, of Caledonia.

By Mr. Lumsden, the Petition of James Wode and others of Hintonburg ; also, the Petition of Addison & Boyd and others of Ottawa.

The following Petitions were read and received :—

Of the Township Council of Elderslie, praying certain amendments to the Assessment Act, respecting the taxation of railway, telegraph and other companies.

Of the Township Council of Osgoode, praying that the Bill before the House respecting the Ontario Veterinary Association, may not pass as at present framed.

Mr. Dryden from the Standing Committee on Railways presented their Seventh Report, which was read as follows and adopted :—

The Committee have carefully considered Bill (No. 77), To incorporate The Thunder Bay, Nipigon and St. Joe Railway Company, and have prepared certain amendments to the Bill and have also amended the Preamble thereto, so as to make the same conform with the facts as they appear to the Committee.

The Committee recommend that the fees, less the actual cost of printing, be remitted on Bill (No. 144), To incorporate the Toronto Elevated Railway Company, the preamble thereto having been declared not proven and so reported to this Honourable House in a former report of the Committee.

The Committee also recommend that Rule No. 51 of this Honourable House be further suspended in this, that the time for receiving Reports of Committees on Private Bills be further extended until and inclusive of Thursday the 23rd day of March instant.

Ordered, That the fees, less the actual cost of printing, be remitted on Bill (No. 144), Toronto Elevated Railway.

Ordered, That the time for receiving Reports from Committees on Private Bills be further extended until and inclusive of Thursday the twenty-third day of March instant.

The following Bills were severally introduced and read the first time :—

Bill (No. 229), intituled "An Act to erect Manitoulin into a Provisional Judicial District."—Mr. Ross.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time To-morrow.

Bill (No. 230), intituled "An Act to amend the Municipal Act."—Mr. Pettypiece.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time To-morrow.

Bill (No. 231), intituled "An Act to amend the Municipal Act."—Mr. Richardson.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time To-morrow.

Bill (No. 232), intituled "An Act to amend the Assessment Act."—Mr. Farwell.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time To-morrow.

Bill (No. 233), intituled "An Act to amend the Act respecting Conditional Sales of Chattels."—Mr. Wardell.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time To-morrow.

The following Bills were severally read the third time and passed :—

Bill (No. 75), Respecting the Town of Niagara Falls.

Bill (No. 102), Further to improve the San José Scale Act.

Bill (No. 21), To consolidate the Debt of the Town of Mattawa.

Bill (No. 25), To legalize and confirm By-laws 488 and 489 of the Town of Sarnia.

Bill (No. 149), Respecting St. Luke's General Hospital, Ottawa.

The Order of the Day for the third reading of Bill (No. 54), Respecting the Town of Smith's Falls, having been read,

Ordered, That the Order be discharged, and that the Bill be forthwith referred back to a Committee of the Whole, with instructions to amend the same

The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee ; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; and Mr. Stratton reported, That the Committee had amended the Bill as directed.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time forthwith.

The Bill was then read the third time, and passed.

On motion of Mr. Reid (Addington), seconded by Mr. Little,

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of copies of all papers and correspondence between any member of the Government and any individual with respect to the audit asked for by citizens of the Town of Amherstburg, of the accounts of the local collector.

On motion of Mr. Matheson, seconded by Mr. Foy,

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of copies of all papers, agreements, accounts and correspondence, with regard to pamphlet *re Algoma*, on account of which \$400 was paid to C. N. Smith in 1898. Also, for copy of the pamphlet, if published.

The following Bills were severally read the second time :—

Bill (No. 163), To amend the Municipal Act.

Referred to the Municipal Committee.

Bill (No. 166), To amend the Municipal Act.

Referred to the Municipal Committee.

Bill (No. 171), To amend the Municipal Act.

Referred to the Municipal Committee.

Bill (No. 185), To amend the Street Railway Act.

Referred to the Municipal Committee.

Bill (No. 188), To amend the Municipal Drainage Act.

Referred to the Municipal Committee.

Bill (No. 189), To amend the Act respecting County Judges and the Local Courts
Act.

Referred to the Legal Committee.

Bill (No. 197), To amend the Ontario Tree Planting Act.

Referred to the Municipal Committee.

Bill (No. 203), To amend the Electric Railway Act.

Referred to the Legal Committee.

Bill (No. 204), Respecting Municipal and School Elections.

Referred to the Municipal Committee.

Bill (No. 206), Respecting Investments by Trustees.

Referred to the Legal Committee.

Bill (No. 209), To amend the Public Parks Act.

Referred to the Municipal Committee.

Bill (No. 210), To amend the Municipal Act.

Referred to the Municipal Committee.

Bill (No. 216), To amend the Act respecting Coroners.

Referred to the Legal Committee.

Bill (No. 218), To amend the Mechanics' and Wage Earners Lien Act.

Referred to the Legal Committee.

Bill (No. 221), To amend the Municipal Act.

Referred to the Municipal Committee.

Bill (No. 146), Respecting the Town of Sault Ste. Marie, the Lake Superior Power Company, the Sault Ste. Marie Pulp and Paper Company, Tagona Water and Light Company, and others.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 27), Respecting the Town of Seaforth.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 23), Incorporating the Carman Natural Gas Company.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 82), Respecting the Corporation of the Town of Midland.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 28), To confirm an agreement between the Town of Perth and the Perth Water Works Company, Limited, and for other purposes.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 18), Respecting By-law No. 304 of the Village of Southampton.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 32), To confirm By-law No. 779 of the City of Stratford.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 141), To confirm a certain By-law of the Town of Palmerston.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 46), Respecting the Town of Port Arthur.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 58), To incorporate the Nickel Range Railway Company.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 89), To incorporate the Nipigon Railway Company.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 84), To incorporate the North Lanark Railway Company.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee, severally to consider the following Bills:—

Bill (No. 40), Respecting the Township of York.

Bill (No. 65), Respecting the Trustees of the Osgoode Burial ground.

Bill (No. 49), To confirm By-law No. 361 of the Town of Gananoque.

Bill (No. 61), Respecting the London Street Railway Company.

Bill (No. 16), To confirm By-law No. 234 of the Town of Newmarket.

Bill (No. 26), To authorize Jacob Zielinski to practice the Eclectic System of Medicine in Ontario.

Bill (No. 53), Respecting the Town of Lindsay.

Bill (No. 148), Respecting By-law No. 1797 of the City of Ottawa and to authorize the Corporation of the City of Ottawa to raise money on the security of Lansdowne Park.

Bill (No. 70), Respecting the Town of Kincardine.

Bill (No. 85), Respecting the Town of Cobourg.

Bill (No. 90), Respecting the Village of Winchester.

Bill (No. 19), Respecting the Brantford Gas Company.

Bill (No. 51), Respecting the Debenture Debt of the Town of Sarnia.

Bill (No. 74), Respecting the Village of Exeter.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; and Mr. Stratton reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the several Bills with certain Amendments.

The Amendments, having been read the second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bills reported, be severally read the third time To-morrow.

The Order of the Day for the House to resolve itself into a Committee to consider certain proposed Resolutions respecting Brewers' and Distillers' and other Licenses, having been read,

The Attorney-General acquainted the House that His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, having been informed of the subject matter of the proposed Resolutions recommends them to the consideration of the House.

The House then resolved itself into the Committee.

(*In the Committee.*)

Resolved, That the fees and duties payable by Brewers under the provisions of Bill (No. 164), "An Act respecting Brewers' and Distillers' and other Licenses" shall be as hereinafter set forth :—

The fee to be paid for a Brewer's Provincial License shall be the following :—

\$400 where the amount invested in the business of the brewer obtaining the license is not more than \$20,000.

\$500 where the amount invested as aforesaid exceeds \$20,000 but is not more than \$50,000.

\$750 where the amount invested as aforesaid exceeds \$50,000 but is not more than \$100,000.

\$1,000 where the amount invested as aforesaid exceeds \$100,000 but is not more than \$150,000.

\$1,500 where the amount invested as aforesaid exceeds \$150,000 but is not more than \$200,000.

\$2,000 where the amount invested as aforesaid exceeds \$200,000.

The fee to be paid for a Distiller's Provincial License shall be as follows:—

\$1,000 where the amount invested in the business of the distiller obtaining the license is \$50,000 or less.

\$3,000 where the amount invested as aforesaid exceeds \$50,000 but is not more than \$125,000.

\$4,000 where the amount invested as aforesaid exceeds \$125,000 but is not more than \$200,000.

\$5,000 where the amount invested as aforesaid exceeds \$200,000 but is not more than \$500,000.

\$6,500 where the amount invested as aforesaid exceeds \$500,000.

The Lieutenant-Governor in Council, where it is shown that the sale by any distiller was in the preceding year less than 10,000 gallons of proof spirits and that the sale will not exceed that quantity during the calendar year in which the license is to be issued, may issue a Distiller's Provincial License at a sum not less than one-third the minimum charge for a Distiller's Provincial License.

Resolved, That section 44, subsection 1, of the Liquor License Act be repealed and the following substituted therefor:—

44.—(1) Over and above the duties for licenses hereinbefore imposed, in respect of tavern, shop and wholesale licenses, and any duties which have been or may be imposed by any municipal by-law, unless as to the last named duties the municipality by by-law otherwise provides, there shall be paid, in order to the raising of a revenue for provincial purposes, for the exclusive use of this Province, the following additional duties thereon, the whole of which shall form part of the consolidated revenue of the Province:—

For each wholesale license—

Elsewhere than in cities	\$100 00
In cities having a population of 150,000 and upwards	300 00
In cities having a population of 40,000 and less than 150,000.	250 00
In cities having a population of less than 40,000.....	200 00

For each tavern or shop license—

In cities having a population of 150,000 and upwards	250 00
In cities having a population of 40,000 and less than 150,000.	225 00
In cities having a population of over 20,000 and less than 40,000.....	180 00
In cities having a population of 20,000 and less.....	130 00
In towns	70 00
Incorporated villages	60 00
Townships	30 00
For each tavern license in cities granted to premises exempted from the necessity of having all the tavern accommodation provided by law	350 00
For each tavern license in towns granted to premises exempted from the necessity of having all the tavern accommodation provided by law	170 00
For each beer and wine license a fee in addition to that provided by section 41 of one-half that hereby added to tavern licenses.	

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; and Mr. Stratton reported, That the Committee had come to certain Resolutions.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Mr. Stratton reported the Resolutions as follows :—

Resolved, That the fees and duties payable by brewers under the provisions of Bill (No. 164), "An Act respecting Brewers' and Distillers' and other Licenses" shall be as hereinafter set forth :—

The fee to be paid for a Brewers' Provincial License shall be the following :—

\$400 where the amount invested in the business of the brewer obtaining the license is not more than \$20,000.

\$500 where the amount invested as aforesaid exceeds \$20,000 but is not more than \$50,000.

\$750 where the amount invested as aforesaid exceeds \$50,000 but is not more than \$100,000.

\$1,000 where the amount invested as aforesaid exceeds \$100,000 but is not more than \$150,000.

\$1,500 where the amount invested as aforesaid exceeds \$150,000 but is not more than \$200,000.

\$2,000 where the amount invested as aforesaid exceeds \$200,000.

The fee to be paid for a Distiller's Provincial License shall be as follows :—

\$1,000 where the amount invested in the business of the distiller obtaining the license is \$50,000 or less.

\$3,000 where the amount invested as aforesaid exceeds \$50,000 but is not more than \$125,000.

\$4,000 where the amount invested as aforesaid exceeds \$125,000 but is not more than \$200,000.

\$5,000 where the amount invested as aforesaid exceeds \$200,000 but is not more than \$500,000.

\$6,500 where the amount invested as aforesaid exceeds \$500,000.

The Lieutenant-Governor in Council, where it is shown that the sale by any distiller was in the preceding year less than 10,000 gallons of proof spirits and that the sale will not exceed that quantity during the calendar year in which the license is to be issued, may issue a Distiller's Provincial License at a sum not less than one-third the minimum charge for a Distiller's Provincial License.

Resolved, That section 44, subsection 1, of the Liquor License Act be repealed and the following substituted therefor :—

44.—(1) Over and above the duties for licenses hereinbefore imposed, in respect of tavern, shop and wholesale licenses, and any duties which have been or may be imposed by any municipal by-law, unless as to the last named duties the municipality by by-law otherwise provides, there shall be paid, in order to the raising of a revenue for provincial purposes, for the exclusive use of this Province, the following additional duties thereon, the whole of which shall form part of the consolidated revenue of the Province :—

For each wholesale license—

Elsewhere than in cities.....	\$100 00
In cities having a population of 150,000 and upwards.....	300 00
In cities having a population of 40,000 and less than 150,000.	250 00
In cities having a population of less than 40,000.....	200 00

For each tavern or shop license—

In cities having a population of 150,000 and upwards	250 00
In cities having a population of 40,000 and less than 150,000.	225 00
In cities having a population of over 20,000 and less than 40,000	180 00
In cities having a population of 20,000 and less	130 00
In towns	70 00
Incorporated villages	60 00
Townships	30 00

For each tavern license in cities granted to premises exempted from the necessity of having all the tavern accommodation provided by law	350 00
For each tavern license in towns granted to premises exempted from the necessity of having all the tavern accommodation provided by law	170 00
For each beer and wine license a fee in addition to that provided by section 41 of one-half that hereby added to tavern licenses.	

Mr. Harcourt moved,

That the Resolutions be now concurred in,

And the Motion, having been put, was carried on a division.

The Resolutions, having been read the second time, were agreed to, and referred to the Committee of the Whole House on Bill (No. 164), Respecting Brewers' and Distillers' and other Licenses.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of Bill (No. 164), Respecting Brewers and Distillers' and other Licenses, having been read,

Mr. Harcourt moved,

That the Bill be now read the second time.

Mr. Morrison moved in amendment, seconded by Mr. Jamieson,

That all the words of the Motion after the word "That" be struck out and the following substituted therefor "the Bill be not now read the second time, but be read the second time this day six months."

And the Amendment, having been put, was lost on a division.

The Motion for the Second Reading having been then again put, was carried on a division, and the Bill was read the second time and referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

On motion of Mr. Davis, seconded by Mr. Garrow,

Resolved, That this House doth ratify the following Orders in Council approved by His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor on the twenty-second and twenty-seventh days of January last, and on the fourth, fourteenth, twenty-second, twenty-fourth and twenty-seventh days of February last:—

Upon consideration of the report of Mr. Inspector Chamberlain, dated 29th December, 1898, and upon the recommendation of the Honourable the Provincial Secretary, the Committee of Council advise that subject to the ratification of this Order by the Legislative Assembly, the General Hospital, Cornwall, be hereafter taken as named in Schedule "A" of the Charity Aid Act, and receive aid in accordance therewith, from the 1st day of January, 1898.

Certified,

J. LONSDALE CAPREOL,

Asst. Clerk Executive Council.

Upon consideration of the report of Mr. Inspector Chamberlain, dated 27th December, 1898, and upon the recommendation of the Honourable the Provincial Secretary, the Committee of Council advise that, subject to the ratification of this Order by the Legislative Assembly, the St. Luke's General Hospital, Ottawa, be hereafter taken as named in Schedule "A" of the Charity Aid Act, and receive aid in accordance therewith from the 20th July, 1898.

Certified,

J. LONSDALE CAPREOL,

Asst. Clerk Executive Council.

Upon consideration of the report of Mr. Inspector Chamberlain, dated 27th December, 1898, and upon the recommendation of the Honourable the Provincial Secretary, the Committee of Council advise that, subject to the ratification of this Order by the Legislative Assembly, the Home for Incurables, Ottawa, be hereafter taken as named in Schedule "B" of the Charity Aid Act, and receive aid in accordance therewith from the 24th day of March, 1898.

Certified,

J. LONSDALE CAPREOL,

Asst. Clerk Executive Council.

Upon consideration of the report of Mr. Inspector Chamberlain, dated 29th December, 1898, and upon the recommendation of the Honourable the Provincial Secretary, the Committee of Council advise that, subject to the ratification of this Order by the Legislative Assembly, the St. Paul's Home for the Aged, Cornwall, be hereafter taken as named in Schedule "B" of the Charity Aid Act and receive aid in accordance therewith from the 9th day of February, 1898.

Certified,

J. LONSDALE CAPREOL,

Assistant Clerk Executive Council.

Upon consideration of the report of Mr. Inspector Chamberlain, dated 14th February, 1899, and upon the recommendation of the Honourable the Provincial Secretary, the Committee of Council advise that, subject to the ratification of this Order by the Legislative Assembly, the Home for Friendless Women and Infants, Kingston, be hereafter taken as named in Schedule "B" of the Charity Aid Act, and receive aid in accordance therewith from the 1st day of July, 1898.

Certified,

J. LONSDALE CAPREOL,

Asst. Clerk Executive Council.

Upon consideration of the report of Mr. Inspector Chamberlain, dated 28th December, 1898, and upon the recommendation of the Honourable the Provincial Secretary, the Committee of Council advise that, subject to the ratification of this Order by the Legislative Assembly, a grant of four thousand dollars be made to the County of Peel House of Refuge, in accordance with the provisions of R.S.O., cap. 312.

Certified,

J. LONSDALE CAPREOL,

Asst. Clerk Executive Council.

Upon consideration of the report of Mr. Inspector Chamberlain, dated 29th December, 1898, and upon the recommendation of the Honourable the Provincial Secretary, the Committee of Council advise that, subject to the ratification of this Order by the Legislative Assembly, a further grant of one thousand seven hundred and fifty dollars (\$1,750) be made to the County of Norfolk House of Industry, making a total payment of four thousand dollars (\$4,000), in accordance with the provisions of R. S. O. cap. 312.

Certified,

J. LONSDALE CAPREOL,

Asst. Clerk Executive Council.

Upon consideration of the report of Mr. Inspector Chamberlain, dated 29th December, 1898, and upon the recommendation of the Honourable the Provincial Secretary, the Committee of Council advise that, subject to the ratification of this Order by the Legislative Assembly, a grant of four thousand dollars (\$4,000) be made to the County of Kent House of Refuge, in accordance with the provisions of R. S. O. cap. 312.

Certified,

J. LONSDALE CAPREOL,

Asst. Clerk Executive Council.

Upon consideration of the report of Mr. Inspector Chamberlain, dated 3rd January, 1899, and upon the recommendation of the Honourable the Provincial Secretary, the Committee of Council advise that, subject to the ratification of this Order by the Legislative Assembly, a grant of four thousand dollars (\$4,000) be made to the County of Bruce House of Refuge, in accordance with the provisions of R. S. O. cap. 312.

Certified,

J. LONSDALE CAPREOL,

Asst. Clerk Executive Council.

Upon consideration of the report of Mr. Inspector Chamberlain, dated 6th February, 1899, and upon the recommendation of the Honourable the Provincial Secretary, the Committee of Council advise that, subject to the ratification of this Order by the Legislative Assembly, a grant of four thousand dollars (\$4,000) be made to the County of Simcoe House of Refuge, in accordance with R.S.O. cap. 312.

Certified,

J. LONSDALE CAPREOL,

Asst. Clerk Executive Council.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of Bill (No. 124), To amend the Ontario Elections Act having been read,

Ordered, That the Order be discharged, and that the Bill be withdrawn.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of Bill (No. 139), To amend the High Schools Act having been read,

Ordered, That the Order be discharged, and that the Bill be withdrawn.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of Bill (No. 167), To prevent the growth and cultivation of the Barbery Shrub having been read,

Ordered, That the Order be discharged, and that the Bill be withdrawn.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of Bill (No. 184), To amend the Ditches and Watercourses Act having been read,

Ordered, That the Order be discharged, and that the Bill be withdrawn.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of Bill (No. 174), To amend the Act respecting Police Magistrates having been read,

Mr. Fox moved,

That the Bill be now read the second time.

And the Motion having been put, was lost on a division.

And so it was declared in the negative.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of Bill (No. 190), To allow Municipalities to adopt Proportionate Representation having been read,

Ordered, That the Order be discharged, and that the Bill be withdrawn.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of Bill (No. 217), To amend the Public Schools Act having been read,

Ordered, That the Order be discharged, and that the Bill be withdrawn.

Mr. Davis presented to the House by command of His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor :—

Report of the Entomological Society of Ontario, for the year 1898. (*Sessional Papers No. 23.*)

Also—Report of the Butter and Cheese Associations of Ontario, for the year 1898. (*Sessional Papers No. 27.*)

Also—Report of the Fruit Experiment Stations of Ontario, for the year 1898. (*Sessional Papers No. 21.*)

Also—Report of the Fruit Growers Associations of Ontario, for the year 1898. (*Sessional Papers No. 20.*)

Also—Report of the Bee-Keepers Association of Ontario, for the year 1898. (*Sessional Papers No. 24.*)

Also—Report of the Poultry Associations of Ontario, for the year 1898. (*Sessional Papers No. 25.*)

Also—Report of the Live Stock Associations of Ontario, for the year 1898. (*Sessional Papers No. 28.*)

Also—Report of the Superintendent of Farmer's Institutes of Ontario, for the year 1898. (*Sessional Papers No. 29.*)

Also—Report of the Agricultural and Experimental Union of Ontario for the year 1898. (*Sessional Papers No. 19.*)

Also—Report of the Inspectors of Factories of Ontario, for the year 1898. (*Sessional Papers No. 30.*)

Also—Report of the Bureau of Industries of Ontario, for the year 1898. (*Sessional Papers No. 37.*)

Also—Report of the Provincial Instructor in Road Making for Ontario, for the year 1898. (*Sessional Papers No. 26.*)

Also—Analysis of Reports of Agricultural and Horticultural Societies of Ontario, for the year 1897. (*Sessional Papers No. 36.*)

Also—Report of the Commissioner of Crown Lands for the year 1898. (*Sessional Papers No. 5.*)

The House then adjourned at 9.15 p.m.

Thursday, 23rd March, 1899.

3 O'CLOCK, P.M.

PRAYERS.

Mr. Speaker informed the House that the Clerk had laid on the Table the following Certificate :—

PROVINCE OF ONTARIO :

This is to Certify that in virtue of a Writ of Election dated the eighth day of February, 1899, issued by His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor and addressed to Patrick Whelihan, Esquire, Returning Officer for the Electoral District of the South Riding of the County of Perth, for the election of a Member to represent the said Electoral District in the Legislative Assembly of this Province, in the room of William Caven Moscrip, Esquire, whose election has been declared void, Nelson Monteith, Esquire, has been returned as duly elected accordingly, as appears by the Return to the said Writ of Election, dated the twenty-second day of March instant, which is now lodged of record in my office.

CHARLES CLARKE,

Clerk L. A.

Toronto, 23rd March, 1899.

Nelson Monteith, Esquire, the Member elect for the South Riding of the County of Perth, having taken the Oaths and subscribed the Roll, took his seat.

The following Petitions were severally brought up and laid upon the Table :—

By Mr. Whitney, the Petition of W. & J. Meikle and others of Morrisburg.

By Mr. Foy, the Petition of the J. F. Brown Coy., Limited, and others of Toronto.

The following Petitions were read and received :—

Of the County Council of Grey, praying certain amendments to the Election Act, respecting the custody of Voters' Lists.

Of M. Quinn and others of Ottawa, praying against the imposition of any further restriction of the liquor trade.

Of the Allied Trades and Labour Association of Ottawa, praying certain amendments to the Workmen's Compensation for Injuries Act, respecting knowledge of defect causing injury.

Mr. Dryden from the Standing Committee on Railways presented their Eighth Report, which was read as follows and adopted :—

The Committee have carefully considered Bill (No. 36), To incorporate The Algoma Central Railway Company, and have prepared certain amendments thereto and have also amended the Preamble to the Bill so as to make the same conform with the facts as they appear to the Committee.

Mr. Pattullo from the Select Committee to whom was referred Bill (No. 162), To incorporate the Ontario Historical Society, presented their Report, which was read as follows and adopted :—

The Committee have carefully considered the Bill to them referred and report the same with certain amendments.

The following Bills were severally introduced and read the first time :—

Bill (No. 234), intituled "An Act respecting the Action for Seduction"—Mr. Gibson.
Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time To-morrow.

Bill (No. 235), intituled "An Act to amend the Landlord and Tenant Act."—Mr. Pardee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time To-morrow.

Bill (No. 236), intituled "An Act to amend the Liquor License Act."—Mr. German.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time To-morrow.

Bill (No. 237), intituled "An Act respecting the Boundary between the Provinces of Ontario and Manitoba."—Mr. Gibson.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time To-morrow.

Bill (No. 238), intituled "An Act to amend the Assessment Act."—Mr. McKay.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time To-morrow.

Bill (No. 239), intituled "An Act to amend the Ontario Election Act."—The Attorney-General.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time To-morrow.

The following Bill was read the third time and passed :—

Bill (No. 15), To confirm By-law No. 467 of the Town of Prescott.

On motion of the Attorney-General, seconded by Mr. Ross.

Ordered, That on and after Monday next, for the remainder of the Session, Government business shall have precedence over all other business, except Private Bills, and there shall be a sitting of the House on Saturday next, and on each succeeding Saturday that the House remains in Session, at eleven of the clock in the forenoon for Government business only, Mr. Speaker to leave the Chair at one p.m.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 165), To supplement the Revenues of the Province of Ontario, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Stratton reported, That the Committee had made some progress, and directed him to ask leave to sit again.

Resolved, That the Committee have leave to sit again To-morrow.

The House, according to Order, again resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(*In the Committee.*)

Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty, for the services of 1899, the following sums:—

14. To defray the expenses of Legislation	\$105,200 00
39. To defray the expenses of Hospitals and Charities	\$182,566 98
40. To defray the expenses of maintenance and repairs of Government House	\$7,405 37
41. To defray the expenses of maintenance and repairs of the old Parliament Buildings	\$750 00
42. To defray the expenses of maintenance and repairs of new Parliament and Departmental Buildings	\$27,940 00
43. To defray the expenses of maintenance and repairs, Attorney-General's Department	\$650 00
44. To defray the expenses of maintenance and repairs, Crown Lands Department.....	\$1,050 00
45. To defray the expenses of maintenance and repairs, Treasury Department	\$900 00
46. To defray the expenses of maintenance and repairs, Provincial Secretary's Department	\$900 00
47. To defray the expenses of maintenance and repairs, Department of Agriculture	\$700 00
48. To defray the expenses of maintenance and repairs, Department of Public Works	\$600 00
49. To defray the expenses of maintenance and repairs, new Parliament Buildings, exclusive of Departments	\$2,000 00
50. To defray the expenses of maintenance and repairs of the Education Department, Normal School Buildings.....	\$8,000 00
51. To defray the expenses of miscellaneous expenditure of Government and Departmental Buildings.....	\$3,570 00
52. To defray the expenses of maintenance and repairs of the Normal and Model School, Ottawa.....	\$3,900 00
53. To defray the expenses of maintenance and repairs of the School of Practical Science, Toronto.....	\$3,525 00

54. To defray the expenses of maintenance and repairs to the Agricultural College, Guelph	\$6,300 00
55. To defray the expenses of maintenance and repairs at Osgoode Hall, Toronto	\$8,840 00
56. To defray the expenses of works at the Asylum for the Insane, Toronto	\$5,350 00
57. To defray the expenses of works at Mimico Branch	\$3,480 00
58. To defray the expenses of works at the Asylum for the Insane, London	\$7,170 00
59. To defray the expenses of works at the Asylum for the Insane, Hamilton	\$4,450 00
60. To defray the expenses of works at the Asylum for the Insane, Kingston	\$4,300 00
61. To defray the expenses of works at the Asylum for the Insane, Brockville	\$6,805 00
62. To defray the expenses of works at the Asylum for Idiots, Orillia....	\$2,800 00
63. To defray the expenses of works at the Central Prison, Toronto....	\$5,300 00
64. To defray the expenses of works at the Reformatory for Boys, Penetanguishene.....	\$700 00
65. To defray the expenses of works at the Reformatory for females, Toronto	\$3,050 00
66. To defray the expenses of works at the Deaf and Dumb Institute, Belleville.....	\$1,450 00
67. To defray the expenses of works at the Institute for the Blind, Brantford ..	\$1,525 00
68. To defray the expenses of works at the Agricultural College and Experimental Farm, Guelph.....	\$4,110 00
69. To defray the expenses of works at the Normal and Model Schools, Toronto.....	\$2,000 00
70. To defray the expenses of works at the Normal and Model Schools, Ottawa.....	\$2,000 00
71. To defray the expenses of works at the Normal School, London	\$40,000 00
72. To defray the expenses of works at the School of Practical Science, Toronto	\$5,485 00

73. To defray the expenses of works at Osgoode Hall, Toronto	\$1,200 00
74. To defray the expenses of works at the New Parliament Buildings, Toronto	\$2,400 00
75. To defray the expenses of works in Algoma District.....	\$1,800 00
76. To defray the expenses of works in the Thunder Bay District	\$650 00
77. To defray the expenses of works in the Muskoka District.....	\$200 00
78. To defray the expenses of works in the Parry Sound District	\$100 00
79. To defray the expenses of works in the Nipissing District.....	\$875 00
80. To defray the expenses of works in the Rainy River District	\$2,550 00
81. To defray the expenses of works at the Eastern Dairy School, Kingston.....	\$239 00
82. To defray the expenses of works at the Reformatory for Boys, Oxford.....	\$7,500 00

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; and Mr. Stratton reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions, also that the Committee had directed him to ask for leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the Report be received To morrow.

Resolved, That the Committee have leave to sit again To-morrow.

The House then adjourned at 11.15 p.m.

Friday, 24th March, 1899.

3 o'CLOCK P.M.

PRAYERS.

The following Petitions were severally brought up and laid upon the Table :—

By Mr. Gibson, the Petition of T. R. Glanville and others of Mount Forest.

By Mr. Dryden, the Petition of M. W. Collins and others of Whitby.

By Mr. Beatty (Leeds), the Petition of W. F. Latimer and others of Gananoque.

By Mr. Barr, the Petition of the County Council of Dufferin.

By Mr. Ferguson, the Petition of R. P. Wright & Son and others of Dresden

The following Petitions were read and received :—

Of T. A. E. Switzer and others of Richmond Hill; also, of Thomas Sutton and others of Exeter ; also, of Grobb Bros. and others of St. Catharines ; also, of P. Slaven & Co.

and others of Deseronto; also, of Addison & Boyd and others of Ottawa; also, of W. Williams and others of Port Hope, severally praying certain amendments to the Assessment Act, respecting the turn-over tax.

Of William Scott and others of Caledonia, praying that the Hamilton and Caledonia Electric Railway Company may not be empowered to run Sunday Street Cars.

Of James Wode and others of Hintonburg, praying that the Ottawa Street Railway Company may not be permitted to run Sunday Street Cars in Hintonburg.

The following Bills were severally introduced and read the first time:—

Bill (No. 240), intituled "An Act to amend the Municipal Act."—Mr. Pardee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Monday next.

Bill (No. 241), intituled "An Act to amend the Agricultural and Arts Act."—Mr. Hill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Monday next.

Bill (No. 242), intituled "An Act to amend the Woodman's Lien for Wages Act."—Mr. Carnegie.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Monday next.

Bill (No. 243), intituled "An Act to amend the Voters' Lists Act."—Mr. Pardee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Monday next.

Bill (No. 244), intituled "An Act to amend the Ontario Anatomy Act."—Mr. McKay.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Monday next.

Bill (No. 245), intituled "An Act to amend the Municipal Act."—Mr. Hill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Monday next.

Bill (No. 246), intituled "An Act to amend the Ontario Controverted Elections Act."—The Attorney-General.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time To-morrow.

The following Bills were severally read the third time and passed:—

Bill (No. 64), To consolidate the Floating Debt of the Town of Brampton.

Bill (No. 12), To confirm By-law No. 152 of the Village of Tara.

Bill (No. 56), Confirming the City of Kingston and the Dominion Cotton Mills Company.

Bill (No. 63). To incorporate the Village of Sturgeon Point.

Bill (No. 68), To incorporate the Western Hospital of Toronto.

Bill (No. 11), Respecting By-law No. 462 of the Town of Dundas.

Bill (No. 65), Respecting the Trustees of the Osgoode Burial Ground.

Bill (No. 85, Respecting the Town of Cobourg.

Bill (No. 90), Respecting the Village of Winchester.

Bill (No. 74), Respecting the Village of Exeter.

The Order of the Day for the third reading of Bill (No. 44), To incorporate the Bruce Mines and Algoma Railway Company, having been read.

Ordered, That the Order be discharged, and that the Bill be forthwith referred back to a Committee of the Whole, with instructions to amend the same.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Stratton reported, That the Committee had amended the Bill as directed.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time forthwith.

The Bill was then read the third time, and passed.

The Order of the Day for the third reading of Bill (No. 62), To authorize the Law Society of Ontario to admit George Macgregor Gardner to practise as a Solicitor, having been read,

Ordered, That the Order be discharged, and that the Bill be forthwith referred back to a Committee of the Whole, with instructions to amend the same.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Stratton reported, That the Committee had amended the Bill as directed.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time forthwith.

The Bill was then read the third time, and passed.

The Order of the Day for the third reading of Bill (No. 118), To improve the Law respecting Public Schools, having been read,

Ordered, That the Order be discharged, and that the Bill be forthwith referred back to a Committee of the Whole, with instructions to amend the same.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Stratton reported, That the Committee had amended the Bill as directed.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time forthwith.

The Bill was then read the third time, and passed.

The Order of the Day for the third reading of Bill (No. 61), Respecting the London Street Railway Company, having been read,

Ordered, That the Order be discharged, and that the Bill be forthwith referred back to a Committee of the Whole, with instructions to amend the same.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Stratton reported, That the Committee had amended the Bill as directed.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time on Monday next.

The following Bills were severally read the second time :—

Bill (No. 77), To incorporate the Thunder Bay, Nepigon and St. Joe Railway Company.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House on Monday next.

Bill (No. 36), To incorporate the Algoma Central Railway Company.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House on Monday next.

Bill (No. 193), To amend the Liquor License Act.

Referred to the Legal Committee.

Bill (No. 211), Respecting Cheese and Butter Exchanges.

Referred to a Select Committee to be composed as follows :—Messieurs. Dryden Brown, McKay, Pattullo, Graham, McLaughlin, Carnegie, Monteith, Gallagher, Allen and Pettypiece.

Bill (No. 219), To amend the Municipal Drainage Act.

Referred to the Municipal Committee.

Bill (No. 227), To amend the Municipal Drainage Act.

Referred to the Municipal Committee.

Bill (No. 224), Respecting Succession Duties.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 225), To amend the Separate Schools Act.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 226), Respecting Executions and Sheriffs.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 228), To amend the Statute Law.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 194), To amend the law with respect to Compensation to Workmen.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 214), To amend the Act respecting Cheese and Butter Manufacturing Associations and Companies.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of Bill (No. 133), To amend the Election Act, having been read,

Mr. Tucker moved,

That the Bill be now read the second time.

And the Motion, having been put, was lost on the following Division :—

YEAS.

Messieurs :

Beatty (Leeds),	Foy,	Marter,	Powell,
Brower,	Fox,	Matheson,	Reid (Durham),
Carnegie,	Gallagher,	Miscampbell,	Tucker,
Carscallen,	Hodgens,	Monteith,	Wardell,
Colquhoun,	Hoyle,	McDonald,	White,
Duff,	Joynt,	McLaughlin,	Whitney—26.
Fallis,	Kidd,		

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Messieurs :

Auld,	Clarke,	Guibord,	Mutrie,
Aylsworth,	Conmee,	Harcourt,	Macnish,
Barber,	Davis,	Hardy,	Pardo,
Beatty (Parry Sound),	Dickenson,	Harty,	Pattullo,
Bleazard,	Dryden,	Hill,	Ross,
Bowman,	Ferguson,	Hislop,	Russell,
Burt,	Garrow,	Holmes,	Stratton,
Caldwell,	Gibson,	Loughrin,	Taylor.
Charlton,	Graham,	Lumsden,	Truax—36.

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Campbell	Reid (Addington).
Pettypiece	Aller.
Leys	Eilber.
Pardee	Lucas.
Farewell	Dempsey.
Bridgland	....	....	....	....	Little.
Douglas	....	....	....	....	Morrison.
McKee	....	....	....	....	Thompson.
McKay	....	....	....	....	Pyne.
Brown	....	....	....	....	Crawford.
Malcolm	....	....	....	....	Jamieson.
Smith	....	....	....	....	Kribs.
Richardson,	....	....	....	....	Barr.
Carpenter	....	....	....	....	Jessop.
German	....	....	....	....	Boyd.

And so it was declared in the negative.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of Bill (No. 137), To amend The Municipal Act, having been read,

Ordered, That the Order be discharged, and that the Bill be withdrawn.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of Bill (No. 170), Respecting Cycle Paths and Cycle Path Commissioners, having been read,

Ordered, That the Order be discharged, and that the Bill be withdrawn.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of Bill (No. 176), Relating to the Employment of Aliens on Work carried on under Franchises Granted by Private Acts, having been read,

Mr. Wardell moved,

That the Bill be now read the second time,

And the Motion, having been put, was lost on a Division,

And so it was declared in the negative.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of Bill (No. 181), Respecting Town Councils, having been read,

Ordered, That the Order be discharged, and that the Bill be withdrawn.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of Bill (No. 212), To amend The Separate Schools Act, having been read,

Ordered, That the Order be discharged, and that the Bill be withdrawn.

The House resolved itself into a Committee, severally to consider the following Bills :—

Bill (No. 45), To confirm By-law No. 740 of the County of York.

Bill (No. 69), To incorporate the Thessalon and Grand Portage Railway Company.

Bill (No. 38), To amend the Act to enable Edward Spencer Jenison to develop and improve a Water Privilege on the Kaministiquia River and extend the provisions thereof.

Bill (No. 83), Respecting the Town of Fort William.

Bill (No. 24), To incorporate the Hamilton and Caledonia Railway Company.

Bill (No. 142), Respecting the Hamilton, Chedoke and Ancaster Electric Street Railway Company, Limited.

Bill (No. 43), To incorporate the Worthington and Onaping Railway Company.

Bill (No. 140), Respecting the Town of Owen Sound.

Bill (No. 146), Respecting the Town of Sault Ste. Marie, the Lake Superior Power Company, The Sault Ste. Marie Pulp and Paper Company, Tagona Water and Light Company, and others.

Bill (No. 27), Respecting the Town of Seaforth.

Bill (No. 82), Respecting the Corporation of the Town of Midland.

Bill (No. 28), To confirm an Agreement between the Town of Perth and the Perth Waterworks Company, Limited, and for other purposes.

Bill (No. 18), Respecting By-law No. 304 of the Village of Southampton.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; and Mr. Stratton reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the several Bills with certain Amendments.

The Amendments, having been read the second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bills reported be severally read the third time on Monday next.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 134), To amend the Public Libraries Act, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; and Mr. Stratton reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill with certain amendments.

Ordered, That the Amendments be taken into consideration forthwith.

The Amendments, having been read the second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

The House, according to Order, again resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

And the House having continued in Committee until Twelve of the Clock midnight.

SATURDAY, 25th March, 1899.

And the Committee having continued to sit.

Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty, for the services of 1899, the following sums :—

38. To defray the expenses of grants in aid of Agriculture \$204,217 00

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; and Mr. Stratton reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution ; also, That the Committee had directed him to ask for leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the Report be received To-day.

Resolved, That the Committee have leave to sit again To-day.

The House then adjourned at 12 15 a.m.

Saturday, 25th March, 1899.

11 o'CLOCK A.M.

PRAYERS.

The following Petitions were read and received :—

Of the J. F. Brown Co., Limited and others of Toronto ; also, of W. J. Meikle and others of Morrisburg, severally praying certain amendments to the Assessment Act, respecting the turn over tax.

The following Bills were severally introduced and read the first time :—

Bill (No. 247), intituled "An Act to amend the Act for the incorporation and regulation of Mining Companies."—Mr. Davis.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Monday next.

Bill (No. 248), intituled "An Act to amend the Municipal Act."—Mr. Whitney.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Monday next.

Bill (No. 249), intituled "The Municipal Amendment Act, 1899."—The Attorney-General.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Monday next.

Bill (No. 250), intituled "The Assessment Amendment Act, 1899."—The Attorney-General.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Monday next.

The following Bill was read the third time and passed :—

Bill (No. 94), Respecting Voters' Lists in Unorganized Territory.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 99), To amend the Prisons and Asylums Inspection Act, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; and Mr. Charlton reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time on Monday next.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 179), To amend the Act respecting Wages, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; and Mr. Graham reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time on Monday next.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 214), To amend the Act respecting Cheese and Butter Manufacturing Associations and Companies, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; and Mr. Graham reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time on Monday next.

The House again resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 165), To supplement the Revenues of the Province of Ontario, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Charlton reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill with certain amendments.

Ordered, That the Amendments be taken into consideration forthwith.

The Amendments, having been read the second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time on Monday next.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 228), To amend the Statute Law, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Charlton reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill with certain amendments.

Ordered, That the Amendments be taken into consideration forthwith.

The Amendments having been read the second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time on Monday next.

The following Bills were severally read the second time:—

Bill (No. 213), To amend the Registry Act.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House on Monday next.

Bill (No. 205), To amend the Ontario Game Protection Act.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House on Monday next.

Bill (No. 222), To amend the Mines Act.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House on Monday next.

On motion of Mr. Gibson, seconded by Mr. Dryden,

Resolved, That this House do forthwith resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider a certain proposed Resolution respecting the smelting of ores in blast furnaces.

The Attorney-General acquainted the House that His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, having been informed of the subject matter of the proposed Resolution, recommends it to the consideration of the House.

The House then resolved itself into the Committee.

(*In the Committee.*)

Resolved, That in the case of a blast furnace which uses charcoal made within the Province as the sole fuel in smelting ores, payment may be made out of the Iron Mining Fund of fifty cents per ton on the proportion of pig metal the product of ores not mined in Ontario, subject to the condition that the following yearly proportions of Ontario ores are smelted therewith:—

- (a) In first period of two years, not less than 20 *per cent.*
- (b) After two years, not less than 40 *per cent.*
- (c) After four years, not less than 60 *per cent.*
- (d) After six years, not less than 80 *per cent.*
- (e) After eight years, not less than 100 *per cent.*

And payment on the proportional product of Ontario ores shall be on the basis of one dollar *per ton* of pig metal. But in case the proportion of Ontario ores smelted in a blast furnace shall in any year of a period fall below the percentages herein specified, there shall in such year be deducted from the payment of fifty cents *per ton* on the product of ores not mined in the Province a percentage thereof equal to the percentage of deficiency in the requisite amount of Ontario ores ; provided, however, that if the proportion of Ontario ores smelted in any year is less than 20 *per cent.*, no payment shall be made out of the Fund to such furnace for that year.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; and Mr. Charlton reported, That the Committee had come to certain Resolutions.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Mr. Charlton reported the Resolutions as follows :—

Resolved, That in the case of a blast furnace which uses charcoal made within the Province as the sole fuel in smelting ores, payment may be made out of the Iron Mining Fund of fifty cents *per ton* on the proportion of pig metal the product of ores not mined in Ontario, subject to the condition that the following yearly proportions of Ontario ores are smelted therewith :

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- (b) After two years, not less than 40 *per cent.*
- (c) After four years, not less than 60 *per cent.*
- (d) After six years, not less than 80 *per cent.*
- (e) After eight years, not less than 100 *per cent.*

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The Resolution, having been read the second time, was agreed to, and referred to a Committee of the Whole House on Bill (No. 222), To amend the Mines Act.

Mr. Davis presented to the House by command of His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor :—

Report of the Commission on Forest Protection and Perpetuation in Ontario, 1899. (*Sessional Papers No. 35.*)

Also—Report of the Clerk of Forestry for the year 1898. (*Sessional Papers No. 73.*)

Also—Copy of Agreement between Her Majesty the Queen and the Sturgeon Falls Pulp Company, Limited. (*Sessional Papers No. 74.*)

The House then adjourned at 1 p.m.

Monday, 27th March, 1898.

PRAYERS.

3 o'clock P.M.

The following Petitions were read and received :—

Of T. R. Glanville and others of Mount Forest ; also, of R. P. Wright & Son and others of Dresden ; also, of M. W. Collins and others of Whitby ; also, of W. F. Latimer and others of Gananoque, severally praying certain amendments to the Assessment Act, respecting the turn over tax.

Of the County Council of Dufferin, praying certain amendments to the Municipal Act, respecting the licensing of resident and non-resident Hawkers and Peddlers.

The Attorney-General from the Standing Committee on Municipal Law, presented their First Report, which was read as follows and adopted :—

The Committee have carefully considered Bill (No. 197), To amend the Ontario Tree planting Act, and have made certain amendments thereto.

The Attorney-General from the Standing Committee on Municipal Law, presented their Second Report, which was read as follows and adopted :—

The Committee have carefully considered Bill (No. 208), To amend the Public Health Act, and have made certain amendments thereto.

On motion of Mr. Gibson, seconded by Mr. Harty,

Resolved, That the Rules of this House relating to Private Bills, be suspended, and that leave be given to introduce a Bill intituled "An Act to confer certain powers upon the City of Kingston."

The following Bill was then introduced and read the first time :—

Bill (No. 251), intituled "An Act to confer certain powers upon the City of Kingston."—Mr. Harty.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

The following Bills were severally read the third time and passed :—

Bill (No. 30), Respecting certain By-laws concerning Drainage in the Townships of Caledonia, Alfred and South Plantagenet.

Bill (No. 80), Respecting the Incorporated Synod of the Diocese of Toronto.

Bill (No. 55), To amend the Act incorporating the Smith's Falls, Rideau and Southern Railway Company.

Bill (No. 73), Respecting a certain By-law and Agreement of the Town of Cornwall.

Bill (No. 61), Respecting the London Street Railway Company.

Bill (No. 26), To authorize Jacob Zielinski to practise the Eclectic System of Medicine in Ontario.

Bill (No. 99), To amend the Prisons and Asylums Inspection Act.

Bill (No. 214), To amend the Act respecting Cheese and Butter Manufacturing Associations and Companies.

The Order of the Day for the House to resolve itself into the Committee of the Whole on Bill (No. 164), Respecting Brewers' and Distillers' and other Licenses, having been read,

The Attorney-General moved,

That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair, and that the House do resolve itself into the Committee.

Mr. Marter moved in amendment, seconded by Mr. Whitney,

That all the words of the Motion after "That" be omitted and the following substituted therefor :—"Mr. Speaker do not now leave the Chair, and that the House do not now resolve itself into the Committee, but that the House do resolve itself into the Committee on this day six months."

And the Amendment, having been put, was lost on the following Division :—

YEAS.

Messieurs :

Allen,	Fallis,	Marter,	Powell,
Barr,	Foy,	Matheson,	Pyne,
Beatty (Leeds),	Fox,	Miscampbell,	Reid (Durham,
Boyd,	Hodgens,	Monteith,	Thompson,
Brower,	Hoyle,	Morrison,	Tucker,
Carscallen,	Jamieson,	McDonald,	Whitney—27.
Crawford,	Kidd,	McLaughlin,	

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Messieurs :

Auld,	Davis,	Hardy,	McKee,
Aylsworth,	Douglas,	Harty,	Pardee,
Bleizard	Dryden,	Hill,	Pattullo,
Bridgland,	Farwell,	Hislop,	Pettypiece,
Brown,	Ferguson,	Loughrin,	Ross,
Burt,	Garrow,	Malcolm,	Russell,
Carpenter,	German,	Mutrie,	Stratton,
Charlton,	Gibson,	Macnish,	Taylor,
Clarke,	Guibord,	McKay,	Truax—37.
Conmee,			

PAIRS.

Beatty (Parry Sound)	....	....	....	....	Gallagher.
Graham	....	....	....	....	Joyst.
Smith	....	....	....	....	Kribs.
Bowman	....	....	....	....	Duff.
Richardson	....	....	....	....	Dempsey.
Holmes	....	....	....	....	Little.
Harcourt	....	....	....	....	Wardell.
Caldwell	....	....	....	....	Jessop.
Pardo	....	....	....	....	Carnegie.
Lumsden	....	....	....	....	White.
Barber	....	....	....	....	Colquhoun.
Dickenson	....	....	....	....	Lucas.
Campbell	....	....	....	....	Reid (Addington.)
Leys	....	....	....	....	Eilber.

The Motion, that Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair and that the House do resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, having been then again put, was carried on a Division, and the House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Stratton reported. That the Committee had made some progress, and directed him to ask leave to sit again.

Resolved, That the Committee have leave to sit again To-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 194), To amend the law with respect to Compensation to Workmen, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; and Mr. Stratton reported, That the Committee had made some progress, and directed him to ask leave to sit again.

Resolved, That the Committee have leave to sit again To-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 225), To amend the Separate Schools Act, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair : and Mr. Stratton reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 226), Respecting Executions and Sheriffs, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; and Mr. Stratton reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill with certain amendments.

Ordered, That the Amendments be taken into consideration forthwith.

The Amendments, having been read the second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 224), Respecting Succession Duties, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; and Mr. Stratton reported, That the Committee had made some progress, and directed him to ask leave to sit again.

Resolved, That the Committee have leave to sit again To-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 178), to amend the law respecting the Liability of Trustees, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; and Mr. Stratton reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill with certain amendments.

Ordered, That the Amendments be taken into consideration forthwith.

The Amendments, having been read the second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 180), respecting the closing and sale of disused Cemeteries owned by municipalities, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; and Mr. Stratton reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill with certain amendments.

The following Bills were severally read the second time :—

Bill (No. 229), To erect Manitoulin into a Provisional Judicial District.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 234), Respecting the Action for Seduction.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 237), Respecting the Boundary between the Provinces of Ontario and Manitoba.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 249), The Municipal Amendment Act, 1899.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 250), The Assessment Amendment Act, 1899.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 233), To amend the Act respecting Conditional Sales of Chattels.

Referred to the Legal Committee.

The House resolved itself into a Committee, severally to consider the following Bills :

Bill (No. 78), To incorporate the Haliburton, Whitney and Mattawa Railway Company.

Bill (No. 143), Respecting the Town of Peterborough.

Bill (No. 32), To confirm By-law No. 779 of the City of Stratford.

Bill (No. 46), Respecting the Town of Port Arthur.

Bill (No. 58), To incorporate the Nickel Range Railway Company.

Bill (No. 89), To incorporate the Nipigon Railway Company.

Bill (No. 84), To incorporate the North Lanark Railway Company.

Bill (No. 77), To incorporate the Thunder Bay, Nipigon and St. Joe Railway Company.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; and Mr. Stratton reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the several Bills with certain Amendments.

The Amendments, having been read the second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bills reported, be severally read the third time To-morrow.

And the House having continued to sit until Twelve of the Clock Mid-Night.

TUESDAY, 28th March 1899.

The following Bill was introduced and read the first time :—

Bill (No. 252), intituled "An Act to amend the Loan Corporations Act." Mr. Gibson.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time at the next sitting of the House to-day.

Mr. Davis presented to the House by command of His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor :—

Report upon the Hospitals of the Province for the year 1898. (*Sessional Papers No. 14.*)

Also—Return shewing the Fees and Emoluments of the Registrars of Deeds of the Province for the year 1898, with which are contrasted receipts of the same nature in the years 1896 and 1897. (*Sessional Papers No. 75.*)

Also—Return to an Order of the House of the eighth day of March instant for a Return, shewing the number of Police Magistrates in Ontario, their names, residences, dates of appointment and territory over which they have jurisdiction, and shewing as well their respective salaries. (*Sessional Papers No. 76.*)

Also—Return to an Order of the House of the ninth day of March instant for a Return shewing the number of cases entered in the County Court of the County of Ontario for the past five years ; the amount of money collected through the Sheriff during the same period and shewing as well the number of cases entered in the Division Court of the same County during the past five years, and the amount of money collected in the Court during the same period. Also shewing the number of cases that went to trial in each Court respectively. Together with a statement of the number of cases heard or tried in the County Judges Criminal Court, the number of days in which the County Judge was engaged in revising voter's lists, in attending board of audit criminal justice accounts, the selection of jurors, and in the performance of duties under the Overholding Tenants Act and in the performance of other duties imposed upon him by law during the said period. (*Sessional Papers No. 77.*)

The House then adjourned at 12.10 a.m.

Tuesday, 28th March, 1898.

3 O'CLOCK P.M.

PRAYERS.

Mr. Gibson from the Standing Committee on Legal Bills presented their First Report, which was read as follows and adopted :—

The Committee have carefully considered

Bill (No. 203), "An Act to amend the Electric Railway Act," and report the same without amendment.

The Committee have also considered Bill (No. 130), "An Act respecting Sureties," and report the same with certain amendments thereto.

Mr. Dryden from the Select Committee to whom was referred Bill (No. 211), intituled "An Act respecting Cheese and Butter Exchanges," presented the following Report, which was read as follows and adopted :—

The Committee have carefully considered the Bill to them referred and have prepared certain amendments thereto.

Mr. Stratton from the Standing Committee on Printing presented their Third Report, which was read as follows :—

The Committee recommend that the following Documents be printed :—

Report of the Royal Commission on Forest Protection and Perpetuation in Ontario, 1899. (*Sessional Papers No. 35.*)

Report of the Clerk of Forestry for the Province of Ontario, 1898. (*Sessional Papers No. 73.*)

Report of the Entomological Society of Ontario, 1898. (*Sessional Papers No. 23.*)

Report of the Butter and Cheese Associations, 1898. (*Sessional Papers No. 27.*)

Report of the Fruit Experiment Stations, 1898. (*Sessional Papers No. 21.*)

Report of the Fruit Growers Association, 1898. (*Sessional Papers No. 20.*)

Report of the Bee Keepers Association, 1898. (*Sessional Papers No. 24.*)

Report of the Poultry Associations, 1898. (*Sessional Papers No. 25.*)

Report of the Live Stock Associations, 1898. (*Sessional Papers No. 28.*)

Report of the Superintendent of Farmers' Institutes, 1898. (*Sessional Papers No. 29.*)

Report of the Agricultural and Experimental Union, 1898. (*Sessional Papers No. 19.*)

Report upon the Hospitals of the Province of Ontario, 1898. (*Sessional Papers No. 14.*)

Report of the Commissioner of Crown Lands, 1898. (*Sessional Papers No. 5.*)

Report of the Inspector of Factories, 1898. (*Sessional Papers No. 30.*)

Report of the Bureau of Industries, 1898. (*Sessional Papers No. 37.*)

Report of the Provincial Instructor in Road Making, 1898. (*Sessional Papers No. 26.*)

Analysis of Reports of Agricultural Societies, 1897. (*Sessional Papers No. 37.*)

Report of the Department of Immigration for the Province of Ontario, 1898. (*Sessional Papers No. 6.*)

Report upon the Common Gaols, Prisons and Reformatories of the Province of Ontario, 1898. (*Sessional Papers No. 12.*)

Report of the Superintendent of Spraying for Ontario, 1898. (*Sessional Papers No. 22.*)

Report of the Ontario Game and Fish Commissioners, 1898. (*Sessional Papers No. 33.*)

Report of the Ontario Agricultural College and Experimental Farm, 1898. (*Sessional Papers No. 18.*)

Return from the Records of the General Elections in 1898, and Bye-elections in 1899. (*Sessional Papers No. 1*)

Agreement with the Sturgeon Falls Pulp Company, Limited. (*Sessional Papers No. 74.*)

The Committee recommend that the following documents be not printed :—

Report of Mr. Inspector Hodgson regarding Upper Canada College, 1898. (*Sessional Papers No. 42.*)

Copy of Orders in Council approving of certain appointments on the Staff of the Upper Canada College, 1898. (*Sessional Papers No. 43.*)

Copy of Minutes of the Department of Education approving of certain Regulations (*Sessional Papers No. 44.*)

Copy of an Order in Council approving of Regulations governing the disposal of Water Powers. (*Sessional Papers No. 45.*)

Copy of an Order in Council respecting the terms and conditions governing the lease of Corundum Lands. (*Sessional Papers No. 46.*)

Copy of an Order in Council approving of Regulations for Mining Divisions. (*Sessional Papers No. 47.*)

Copy of an Order in Council approving of certain amendments to the Regulations for Mining. (*Sessional Papers No. 48.*)

Copy of an Order in Council establishing the Michipicoten Mining Division. (*Sessional Papers No. 49.*)

Return of the Registrars of Deeds for the year 1898; also the Receipts for the years 1896 and 1897. (*Sessional Papers No. 75.*)

Return for information in *re* Shooting of Deer in the Water. (*Sessional Papers No. 70.*)

Return shewing the number of Police Magistrates in Ontario. (*Sessional Papers No. 76.*)

Return shewing fees paid Alfred Stunden, Constable, Bracebridge, for Enforcement of Game Laws. (*Sessional Papers No. 72.*)

Return *re* permits for Collecting Eggs, Birds and Birds' Nests. (*Sessional Papers No. 71.*)

Return *re* County Court of the County of Ontario. (*Sessional Papers No. 77.*)

The Committee further recommend that one hundred copies of D. B. Read's "Lives of the Lieutenant-Governors of Ontario" should be purchased at the price of \$1.00 per

Vol. for the Purposes of the Legislature, also that twenty-five copies of E. A. Owen's "Pioneer Sketches or Norfolk's Foundation Builders and their Family Genealogies," be purchased for the Departmental Libraries.

Resolved, That this House doth concur in the the Third Report of the Committee on Printing.

On motion of Mr. Stratton, seconded by Mr. McKay,

Resolved, That this House doth concur in the Second Report of the Committee on Printing, with the exception of such portions thereof as relate to the printing of Bills for distribution, which portions are postponed for future consideration.

The Order of the Day for the Third Reading of Bill (No. 20), To authorize and confirm a deed of agreement between The Toronto General Trusts Company and the Trusts Corporation of Ontario, and to unite the said Companies under the name of The Toronto General Trusts Corporation having been read,

Mr. Pardee moved,

That the Bill be now read the third time.

Mr. Carscallen moved in amendment, seconded by Mr. Crawford,

That all the words of the Motion after the first word "That" be struck out and the following inserted in lieu thereof "the Bill be not now read the third time, but that the same be forthwith referred to a Committee of the Whole House with instructions to add the following clause thereto":—

"In the event of the property and assets of the said The Toronto General Trusts Corporation being insufficient to pay its debts and liabilities, each shareholder of the said The Toronto General Trusts Corporation shall be liable for the deficiency to an amount equal to the par value of the shares held by him in addition to any amount not paid up on such shares."

And the Amendment having been put, was lost on a Division.

The Motion for the third reading, having been then again put, was carried, and the Bill was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass and be intituled "An Act to amalgamate the Toronto General Trusts Company and the Trusts Corporation of Ontario."

The Order of the Day for the third reading of Bill (No. 79), To consolidate the Debt of the Town of Leamington having been read,

Ordered, That the Order be discharged, and that the Bill be forthwith referred back to a Committee of the Whole, with instructions to amend the same.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee ; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; and Mr. Stratton reported, That the Committee had amended the Bill as directed.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time forthwith.

The Bill was then read the third time, and passed.

The Order of the Day for the third reading of Bill (No. 19), Respecting the Brantford Gas Company having been read,

Ordered, That the Order be discharged, and that the Bill be forthwith referred back to a Committee of the Whole, with instructions to amend the same.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Stratton reported, That the Committee had amended the Bill as directed.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time forthwith.

The Bill was then read the third time, and passed.

The following Bills were severally read the third time and passed :—

Bill (No. 45), To confirm By-law No. 740 of the County of York.

Bill (No. 69), To incorporate the Thessalon and Grand Portage Railway Company.

Bill (No. 142), Respecting the Hamilton, Chedoke and Ancaster Electric Street Railway Company, Limited.

Bill (No. 140), Respecting the Town of Owen Sound.

Bill (No. 179), To amend the Act respecting Wages.

Bill (No. 225), To amend the Separate Schools Act.

The Order of the Day for the third reading of Bill (No. 24), To incorporate the Hamilton and Caledonia Railway Company having been read,

Mr. Holmes moved,

That the Bill be now read the third time.

Mr. Mutrie moved in amendment, seconded by Mr. Taylor,

That all the words of the Motion, after the word "That" be omitted, and the following substituted: "the Bill be not now read the third time but be forthwith referred back to a Committee of the Whole House with instructions to amend the same by striking out section eighteen of the Bill, permitting the running of cars on the Lord's Day."

And the amendment, having been put, was carried.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Stratton reported, That the Committee had amended the Bill as directed.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time forthwith.

The Bill was then read the third time, and passed.

The following Bills were severally introduced and read the first time :—

Bill (No. 253), intituled "An Act respecting Aid to certain Railways."—Mr. Ross
Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time To-morrow.

Bill (No. 254), intituled "An Act to improve the Law relating to the Fisheries of the Province."—The Attorney-General.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time To-morrow.

The House again resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 164). Respecting Brewers and Distillers and other Licenses, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; and Mr. Stratton reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill with certain amendments.

Ordered, That the Amendments be taken into consideration forthwith.

The Amendments, having been read the second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of Bill (No. 92), Respecting the Moneys of Infants and others in Court having been read,

Ordered, That the Order be discharged, and that the Bill be withdrawn.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of Bill (No. 95), To amend the Railway Act of Ontario, having been read,

Ordered, That the Order be discharged, and that the Bill be withdrawn.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of Bill (No. 187), To improve the Law respecting High Schools, having been read,

Ordered, That the Order be discharged, and that the Bill be withdrawn.

The Order of the Day for the third reading of Bill (No. 146), Respecting the Town of Sault Ste. Marie, the Lake Superior Power Company, the Sault Ste. Marie Pulp and Paper Company, Tagona Water and Light Company, and others having been read,

Ordered, That the Order be discharged, and that the Bill be forthwith referred back to a Committee of the Whole, with instructions to amend the same.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee ; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; and Mr. Stratton reported, That the Committee had amended the Bill as directed.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

The Order of the Day for the third reading of Bill (No. 134), To amend the Public Libraries Act having been read,

Ordered, That the Order be discharged, and that the Bill be forthwith referred back to a Committee of the Whole, with instructions to amend the same.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee ; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; and Mr. Stratton reported, That the Committee had amended the Bill as directed.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time forthwith.

The Bill was then read the third time, and passed.

The Order of the Day for the third reading of Bill (No. 165), To supplement the Revenues of the Province of Ontario having been read,

Ordered, That the Order be discharged, and that the Bill be forthwith referred back to a Committee of the Whole, with instructions to amend the same.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee ; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; and Mr. Stratton reported, That the Committee had amended the Bill as directed.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

The Order of the Day for the third reading of Bill (No. 228), To amend the Statute Law having been read,

Ordered, That the Order be discharged, and that the Bill be forthwith referred back to a Committee of the Whole, with instructions to amend the same.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee ; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; and Mr. Stratton reported, That the Committee had amended the Bill as directed.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee, severally to consider the following Bills:

Bill (No. 52), Respecting the City of Toronto.

Bill (No. 88), Respecting the Toronto Chain Ferry.

Bill (No. 23), An Act respecting the Town of Petrolea.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; and Mr. Stratton reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the several Bills with certain Amendments.

The Amendments, having been read the second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bills reported, be severally read the third time To-morrow.

On motion of Mr. Ross, seconded by Mr. Gibson,

Resolved, That this House concurs in the Agreement laid before this House on Thursday, the 23rd day of February last, by command of His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, and bearing date on the first day of January, A.D. 1899, and expressed to be made between Charles Riordan, of the Village of Merriton, trading under the name and style of "The Riordan Paper Co'y, Limited," of the first part, and Her Majesty the Queen, of the second part, to furnish all the supply of printing papers required by the Government of the Province of Ontario for the five years ending on the thirty-first day of December, 1904.

On motion of The Attorney-General, seconded by Mr. Ross,

Ordered, That there shall be a sitting of this House at Eleven of the clock in the forenoon on Thursday next. Mr. Speaker to leave the Chair at One P.M., without the question being put.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 234), Respecting the action for seduction, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; and Mr. Stratton reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 237), Respecting the Boundary between the Provinces of Ontario and Manitoba, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; and Mr. Stratton reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 213), To amend the Registry Act, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; and Mr. Stratton reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill with certain amendments.

Ordered, That the Amendments be taken into consideration forthwith.

The Amendments, having been read the second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 229), To erect Manitoulin into a Provisional Judicial District and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; and Mr. Stratton reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill with certain amendments.

Ordered, That the Amendments be taken into consideration forthwith.

The Amendments, having been read the second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 249), The Municipal Amendment Act, 1899, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; and Mr. Stratton reported, That the Committee had made some progress, and directed him to ask leave to sit again.

Resolved, That the Committee have leave to sit again To-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 250), The Assessment Amendment Act, 1899, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; and Mr. Stratton reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

The following Bills were severally read the second time :—

Bill (No. 239), to amend the Ontario Election Act.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 246), to amend the Ontario Controverted Elections Act.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

The House, according to Order, again resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(*In the Committee.*)

Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty, for the services of 1899, the following sums :—

83. To defray the expenses of Public Works	\$47,503 00
84. To defray the expenses of Colonization Roads	\$81,500 00
85. To defray the expenses of Charges on Crown Lands	\$119,825 00
86. To defray the expenses of Mining Development	\$27,550 00
87. To defray the expenses of Mining Roads	\$6,400 00
88. To defray the Expenses of the Refund Account, on Education Account	\$1,000 00
89. To defray the expenses of the Refund Account, on Crown Lands Account	\$18,500 00
90. To defray the expenses of the Municipalities Fund	\$973 28
91. To defray the expenses of the Land Improvement Fund	\$2,402 11
92. To defray the expenses of Miscellaneous Expenditure	\$127,010 00
93. To defray Unforeseen and Unprovided Expenses	\$50,000 00

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; and Mr. Stratton reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions ; also, That the Committee had directed him to ask for leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the Report be received To-morrow.

Resolved, That the Committee have leave to sit again To-morrow.

The House then adjourned at 11.50 p.m.

Wednesday, 29th March, 1899.

3 o'CLOCK P.M.

PRAYERS.

The following Bills were severally read the third time and passed :—

Bill (No. 16), To confirm By-law No. 234 of the Town of Newmarket.

Bill (No. 148), Respecting By-law No. 1797 of the City of Ottawa and to authorize the Corporation of the City of Ottawa to raise money upon the security of Lansdowne Park.

Bill (No. 78), To incorporate the Haliburton, Whitney and Mattawa Railway Company.

Bill (No. 143), Respecting the Town of Peterborough.

Bill (No. 32), To confirm By-law No. 779 of the City of Stratford.

Bill (No. 84), To incorporate the North Lanark Railway Company.

Bill (No. 34), Respecting the City of London.

Bill (No. 146), Respecting the Town of Sault Ste. Marie, the Lake Superior Power Company, the Sault Ste. Marie Pulp and Paper Company, the Tagona Water and Light Company, and others.

Bill (No. 58), To incorporate the Nickel Range Railway Company.

Bill (No. 53), Respecting the Town of Lindsay.

Bill (No. 46), Respecting the Town of Port Arthur.

Bill (No. 89), To incorporate the Nipigon Railway Company.

Bill (No. 77), To incorporate the Thunder Bay, Nipigon and St. Joe Railway Company.

The Order of the Day for the third reading of Bill (No. 49), To confirm By-law No. 361 of the Town of Gananoque having been read,

Ordered, That the Order be discharged, and that the Bill be withdrawn.

Ordered, That the fees, less the actual cost of printing, be remitted on the Bill (No. 49), Town of Gananoque.

The Order of the Day for the third reading of Bill (No. 88), Respecting the Toronto Chain Ferry, having been read,

Mr. Crawford moved,

That the Bill be now read the third time.

Mr. German moved in amendment, seconded by Mr. Loughrin,

That all the words of the Motion, after the word "That" be omitted, and the following substituted : "the Bill be not now read the third time but be forthwith referred back to a Committee of the Whole House with instructions to amend the same by adding thereto the following clause :—

"The Council of the corporation of the city of Toronto shall before undertaking "the establishing and operating of the said ferry cause proper plans of survey to be "made and proper plans, profiles, drawings and specifications of the said ferry-boat, "and also of the improvements and works to be undertaken in connection therewith, "both on the mainland and on the island, including bicycle tracks, roadways, etc., and "procure proper estimates of the probable cost of the whole of the proposed improve

" ments including the said ferry-boat and all machinery and plant connected therewith
" and the annual cost of operating the said ferry, including rents of wharves, wear and
" tear and depreciation and maintenance, and shall cause the same to be published for
" the information of the ratepayers and they shall also submit the question of under-
" taking the said works and providing the said ferry service to a vote and procure the
" assent of the electors qualified to vote on money by-laws under the provisions of The
" Municipal Act in that behalf."

And the Amendment, having been put, was lost on a division.

The Motion for the third reading, having been then again put, was carried.

And the Bill was read the third time, and passed.

Mr. Stratton, from the Committee of Supply, reported the following Resolutions :—

1. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Three thousand seven hundred and eighty dollars be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of the Lieutenant-Governor's office, for the year ending 31st December, 1899.

2. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Twenty thousand six hundred and fifty dollars be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of the Executive Council and Attorney-General's office, for the year ending 31st December, 1899.

3. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Nineteen thousand six hundred and sixty dollars be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of the Department of Education, for the year ending 31st December, 1899.

4. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Sixty-one thousand eight hundred and ten dollars be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of the Crown Lands Department, for the year ending 31st December, 1899.

5. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Eighteen thousand seven hundred and fifty dollars be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of the Department of Public Works, for the year ending 31st December, 1899.

6. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Thirty-two thousand three hundred and twenty-five dollars be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of the Treasurer's office, for the year ending 31st December, 1899.

7. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Seven thousand eight hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of the Provincial Board of Health, for the year ending 31st December, 1899.

8. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Thirty-four thousand three hundred and fifty dollars be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of the Secretary and Registrar's Department, for the year ending 31st December, 1899.

9. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Fifteen thousand four hundred and fifty dollars be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of the Inspection of Public Institutions, for the year ending 31st December, 1899.

10. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Eight thousand one hundred and fifty dollars be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of the Insurance Branch, for the year ending 31st December, 1899.

11. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Eighteen thousand five hundred and ten dollars be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of the Department of Agriculture, for the year ending 31st December, 1899.

12. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One thousand six hundred and fifty dollars be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Immigration for the year ending 31st December, 1899.

13. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Nine thousand seven hundred and fifty dollars be granted to Her Majesty to defray the Miscellaneous Expenses of Civil Government, for the year ending 31st December, 1899.

14. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One hundred and five thousand two hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Legislation, for the year ending 31st December, 1899.

15. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Sixty-seven thousand six hundred and ninety-three dollars be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of the Supreme Court of Judicature, for the year ending 31st December, 1899.

16. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Twenty-one thousand and twenty-six dollars be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of the Surrogate Judges and Local Masters, for the year ending 31st December, 1899.

17. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Three hundred and fifty-four thousand and seventy-five dollars and sixty-four cents be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Miscellaneous, Criminal and Civil Justice, for the year ending 31st December, 1899.

18. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Four hundred and fifty-five thousand and seventeen dollars and thirty-five cents be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public and Separate Schools, for the year ending 31st December, 1899.

19. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One hundred and fifteen thousand and fifty dollars be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of High Schools and Collegiate Institutes for the year ending 31st December, 1899.

20. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Seven thousand eight hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of the Provincial Museum and Library, for the year ending 31st December, 1899.

21. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Twenty-two thousand four hundred and seventy dollars be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of the School of Practical Science, Toronto, for the year ending 31st December, 1899.

22. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Fifty-six thousand seven hundred and fifty dollars be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Libraries, Art Schools, Literary and Scientific Institutions, for the year ending 31st December, 1899.

23. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Twelve thousand four hundred and seventy-five dollars be granted to Her Majesty to defray the Miscellaneous Expenses of Education, for the year ending 31st December, 1899.

24. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Sixty-one thousand three hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of the Superannuated Public and High School Teachers, for the year ending 31st December, 1899.

25. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Ninety-eight thousand six hundred and thirty-nine dollars be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of the Asylum for the Insane at Toronto, for the year ending 31st December, 1899.

26. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One hundred and twenty-nine thousand three hundred and twelve dollars be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of the Asylum for the Insane at London, for the year ending 31st December, 1899.

27. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Seventy-three thousand five hundred and forty-four dollars be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of the Asylum for the Insane at Kingston, for the year ending 31st December, 1899.

28. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One hundred and nineteen thousand and thirty-three dollars be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of the Asylum for the Insane at Hamilton, for the year ending 31st December, 1899.

29. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Seventy-five thousand six hundred and eighty-two dollars be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of the Mimico Branch of the Asylum for the Insane at Toronto, for the year ending 31st December, 1899.

30. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Sixty-five thousand two hundred and ninety-seven dollars be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of the Asylum for the Insane at Brockville, for the year ending 31st December, 1899.

31. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Fifty-six thousand nine hundred and forty-eight dollars be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of the Asylum for the Insane at Orillia, for the year ending 31st December, 1899.

32. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Sixty thousand two hundred and fifty dollars be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of the Central Prison, Toronto, for the year ending 31st December, 1899.

33. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Twenty-six thousand nine hundred and sixty dollars be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of the Ontario Reformatory at Penetanguishene, for the year ending 31st December, 1899.

34. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Forty four thousand six hundred and forty-six dollars be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of the Institution for the Deaf and Dumb, Belleville, for the year ending 31st December, 1899.

35. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Thirty-two thousand six hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of the Institution for the Blind at Brantford, for the year ending 31st December, 1899.

36. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Twenty-two thousand one hundred and seventy-five dollars be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of the Andrew Mercer Reformatory for Women and Refuge for Girls, Toronto, for the year ending 31st December, 1899.

37. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Seven thousand and seventy-five dollars be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Immigration, for the year ending 31st December, 1899.

38. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Two hundred and four thousand two hundred and seventeen dollars be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of grants in aid of Agriculture, for the year ending 31st December, 1899.

39. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One hundred and eighty-two thousand five hundred and sixty-six dollars and ninety-eight cents be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Hospitals and Charities, for the year ending 31st December, 1899.

40. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Seven thousand four hundred and five dollars and thirty-seven cents be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of maintenance and repairs of Government House, for the year ending 31st December, 1899.

41. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Seven hundred and fifty dollars be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of maintenance and repairs of Old Parliament Buildings, for the year ending 31st December, 1899.

42. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Twenty-seven thousand nine hundred and forty dollars be granted to Her Majesty to defray expenses of maintenance and repairs of New Parliament and Departmental Buildings, for the year ending 31st December, 1899.

43. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Six hundred and fifty dollars be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of maintenance and repairs of the Attorney-General's Department, for the year ending 31st December, 1899.

44. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One thousand and fifty dollars be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of maintenance and repairs of the Crown Lands Department, for the year ending 31st December, 1899.

45. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Nine hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of maintenance and repairs of the Treasury Department, for the year ending 31st December, 1899.

46. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Nine hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of maintenance and repairs of the Provincial Secretary's Department, for the year ending 31st December, 1899.

47. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Seven hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of maintenance and repairs of the Department of Agriculture, for the year ending 31st December, 1899.

48. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Six hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of maintenance and repairs of the Department of Public Works, for the year ending 31st December, 1899.

49. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Two thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of maintenance and repairs of the New Parliament Buildings, exclusive of Departments, for the year ending 31st December, 1899.

50. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Eight thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of maintenance and repairs to the Education Department (Normal School Building), for the year ending 31st December, 1899.

51. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Three thousand five hundred and seventy dollars be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of miscellaneous maintenance and repairs, for the year ending 31st December, 1899.

52. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Three thousand nine hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of maintenance and repairs to the Normal and Model School, Ottawa, for the year ending 31st December, 1899.

53. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Three thousand five hundred and twenty-five dollars be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of maintenance and repairs of the School of Practical Science, Toronto, for the year ending 31st December, 1899.

54. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Six thousand three hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of maintenance and repairs to Agricultural College and Experimental Farm, Guelph, for the year ending 31st December, 1899.

55. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Eight thousand eight hundred and forty dollars be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of maintenance and repairs to Osgoode Hall, Toronto, for the year ending 31st December, 1899.

56. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Five thousand three hundred and fifty dollars be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of the works at the Asylum for the Insane, Toronto, for the year ending 31st December, 1899.

57. *Resolved*, That the sum of Three thousand four hundred and eighty dollars be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of the works at the Asylum for the Insane, Mimico, for the year ending 31st December, 1899.

58. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Seven thousand one hundred and seventy dollars be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of the works at the Asylum for the Insane, London, for the year ending 31st December, 1899.

59. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Four thousand four hundred and fifty dollars be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of works at the Asylum for the Insane, Hamilton, for the year ending 31st December, 1899.

60. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Four thousand three hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of works at the Asylum for the Insane, Kingston, for the year ending 31st December, 1899.

61. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Six thousand eight hundred and five dollars be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of works at the Asylum for the Insane, Brockville, for the year ending 31st December, 1899.

62. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Two thousand eight hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of works at the Asylum for Idiots, at Orilla, for the year ending 31st December, 1899.

63. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Five thousand three hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty to defray expenses of works at the Central Prison, Toronto, for the year ending 31st December, 1899.

64. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Seven hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of works at the Provincial Reformatory, Penetanguishene, for the year ending 31st December, 1899.

65. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Three thousand and fifty dollars be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of works at Andrew Mercer Reformatory for Females, Toronto, for the year ending 31st December, 1899.

66. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One thousand four hundred and fifty dollars be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of works at the Deaf and Dumb Institute, Belleville, for the year ending 31st December, 1899.

67. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One thousand five hundred and twenty-five dollars be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of works at the Blind Institute, Brantford, for the year ending 31st December, 1899.

68. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Four thousand one hundred and ten dollars be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of works at the School of Agriculture, Guelph, for the year ending 31st December, 1899.

69. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Two thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of works at the Education Department and Normal School, Toronto, for the year ending 31st December, 1899.

70. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Two thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of works at the Normal School, Ottawa, for the year ending 31st December, 1899.

71. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Forty thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of works at the Normal School, London, for the year ending 31st December, 1899.

72. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Five thousand four hundred and eighty-five dollars be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of works at the School of Practical Science, Toronto, for the year ending 31st December, 1899.

73. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One thousand two hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of works at Osgoode Hall, Toronto, for the year ending 31st December, 1899.

74. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Two thousand four hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of works, equipment, furnishing, fitting up, etc., of New Parliament and Departmental Buildings, for the year ending 31st December, 1899.

75. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One thousand eight hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of works in the District of Algoma, for the year ending 31st December, 1899.

76. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Six hundred and fifty dollars be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of works in the Thunder Bay District, for the year ending 31st December, 1899.

77. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Two hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of works in the Muskoka District, for the year ending 31st December, 1899.

78. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of works in the Parry Sound District, for the year ending 31st December, 1899.

79. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Eight hundred and seventy-five dollars be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of works in the Nipissing District, for the year ending 31st December, 1899.

80. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Two thousand five hundred and fifty dollars be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of works in the Rainy River District, for the year ending 31st December, 1899.

81. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Two hundred and thirty-nine dollars be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of works at Eastern Dairy School, Kingston, for the year ending 31st December, 1899.

82. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Seven thousand five hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of works at Reformatory for Boys, in County of Oxford, for the year ending 31st December, 1899.

83. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Forty seven thousand five hundred and three dollars be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works, for the year ending 31st December, 1899.

84. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Eighty-one thousand five hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of construction and repairs of Colonization Roads for the year ending 31st December, 1899.

85. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One hundred and nineteen thousand eight hundred and twenty-five dollars be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of charges on Crown Lands, for the year ending 31st December, 1899.

86. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Twenty-seven thousand five hundred and fifty dollars be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Mining Development, for the year ending 31st December, 1899.

87. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Six thousand four hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Mining Roads, for the year ending 31st December, 1899.

88. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Refund Account, *re* Education, for the year ending 31st December, 1899.

89. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Eighteen thousand five hundred dollars be granted to her Majesty to defray the expenses of Refund Account, *re* Crown Lands, for the year ending 31st December, 1899.

90. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Nine hundred and seventy-three dollars and twenty-eight cents be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of the Municipalities Fund for the year ending 31st December, 1899.

91. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Two thousand four hundred and two dollars and eleven cents be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of the Land Improvement Fund, for the year ending 31st December, 1899.

92. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One hundred and twenty-seven thousand and ten dollars be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Miscellaneous Expenditure, for the year ending 31st December, 1899.

93. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Fifty thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty to defray the Unforeseen and Unprovided expenses, for the year ending 31st December, 1899.

The several Resolutions having been again read,

Ordered, That the further consideration of the fourth, fifth, ninth, fourteenth, seventeenth, eighteenth, twenty-second, twenty-third, twenty-fifth, twenty-sixth, twenty-eighth, thirty-first, thirty-third, thirty-seventh, thirty-eighth, seventy-first, eighty-second, eighty-fifth and ninety-second Resolutions be postponed until the next sitting of the House to-day.

The remaining Resolutions were agreed to.

The House again resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 224), Respecting Succession duties, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Stratton reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill with certain amendments.

Ordered, That the Amendments be taken into consideration forthwith.

The Amendments, having been read the second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 239), To amend the Ontario Election Act, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Stratton reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 246), To amend the Ontario Controverted Elections Act, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Stratton reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

Mr. Charlton, from the Standing Committee on Public Accounts, presented their Report, which was read. (*Appendix No. 1.*)

The House resolved itself into a Committee, severally to consider the following Bills:

Bill (No. 71), Respecting the City of Ottawa.

Bill (No. 86), Respecting the Town of Whitby.

Bill (No. 36), To incorporate the Algoma Central Railway Company.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Stratton reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the several Bills with certain amendments.

The Amendments, having been read the second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bills reported, be severally read the third time To-morrow.

The Order of the Day for the third reading of Bill (No. 38), To amend the Act to enable Edward Spencer Jenison to develop and improve a Water Privilege on the Kamistiquia River and extend the provisions thereof, having been read,

Ordered, That the Order be discharged, and that the Bill be forthwith referred back to a Committee of the Whole, with instructions to amend the same.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Stratton reported, That the Committee had amended the Bill as directed.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time forthwith.

The Bill was then read the third time, and passed.

Mr. Gibson from the Standing Committee on Legal Bills presented their Second Report which was read as follows and adopted :

The Committee have carefully considered

Bill (No. 189), An Act to amend the Act respecting County Judges and the Local Courts, and report the same with amendments.

The House, according to order, proceeded to take into further consideration the Resolutions reported from the Committee of supply To-day, the consideration whereof, had been postponed.

The Fourth Resolution respecting the Department of Crown Lands having been again read,

Mr. Harcourt moved,

That the Resolution be now concurred in.

Mr. Little moved in amendment, seconed by Mr. Carnegie,

That the Resolution be not now concurred in, but be forthwith referred back to the Committee of Supply with instructions to reduce the item by \$2,400, being salary and expenses Chief Clerk of Forestry and Inspector of Fire Rangers.

And the Amendment, having been put was lost on the following division :—

YEAS.

Messieurs :

Allen,	Duff,	Joynt,	McDonald,
Barr,	Eilber,	Kidd,	McLaughlin,
Beatty (Leeds),	Fallis,	Kribs,	Powell,
Boyd,	Foy,	Little,	Pyne,
Brower,	Fox,	Lucas,	Reid (Durham),
Carnegie,	Gallagher,	Marter,	Thompson,
Carscallen,	Hodgens,	Matheson,	Tucker,
Colquhoun,	Hoyle,	Miscampbell,	Wardell,
Crawford,	Jamieson,	Monteith,	White,
Dempsey,	Jessop,	Morrison,	Whitney—40.

NAYS.

Messieurs :

Auld,	Clarke,	Harcourt,	McKay,
Aylsworth,	Conmee,	Hardy,	McKee,
Barber,	Davis,	Harty,	Pardee,
Beatty (Parry Sound),	Dickenson,	Hill,	Pardo,
Bleizard,	Douglas,	Hislop,	Pattullo,
Bowman,	Dryden,	Holmes,	Pettypiece,
Bridgland,	Farwell,	Leys,	Rose,
Brown,	Ferguson,	Loughrin,	Russell,
Burt,	Garrow,	Lumsden,	Smith,
Caldwell,	German,	Malcolm,	Stratton,
Campbell,	Gibson,	Mutrie,	Taylor,
Carpenter.	Graham,	Macnish,	Truax—50
Charlton,	Guibord,		

PAIRS.

Richardson Reid (Addington)

The Resolution having been then again put was carried on the following division :—

YEAS.

Messieurs :

Auld,	Clarke,	Harcourt,	McKee,
Aylsworth,	Conmee,	Hardy,	Pardee,
Barber,	Davis,	Harty,	Pardo,
Beatty (Parry Sound),	Dickenson,	Hill,	Pattullo,
Bleizard,	Douglas,	Hislop,	Pettypiece,
Bowman,	Dryden,	Holmes,	Ross,
Bridgland,	Farwell,	Leys,	Russell,
Brown,	Ferguson,	Loughrin	Smith,
Burt,	Garrow,	Lumsden,	Stratton,
Caldwell,	German,	Malcolm,	Taylor,
Campbell,	Gibson,	Mutrie,	Truax—50.
Carpenter,	Graham,	Macnish,	
Charlton,	Guibord,	McKay,	

NAYS :

Messieurs :

Allen,	Duff,	Joynt,	McDonald,
Barr,	Eilber,	Kidd,	McLaughlin,
Beatty (Leeds),	Fallis,	Kribs,	Powell,
Boyd,	Foy,	Little,	Pyne,
Brower,	Fox,	Lucas,	Reid (Durham),
Carnegie,	Gallagher,	Marter,	Thompson,
Carscallen,	Hodgens,	Matheson,	Tucker,
Colquhoun,	Hoyle,	Miscampbell,	Wardell,
Crawford,	Jamieson,	Monteith,	White,
Dempsey,	Jessop,	Morrison,	Whitney—40.

PAIRS.

Richardson	Reid (Addington.)
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The Resolution was then concurred in.

The Fifth Resolution respecting the Department of Public Works, having been again read,

Mr. Harcourt moved,

That the Resolution be now concurred in.

Mr. McLaughlin moved in Amendment, second by Mr. McDonald,

That the Resolution be not now concurred in, but be forthwith referred back to the Committee of Supply with instructions to reduce the item by \$18,750, being the salaries and expenses of Public Works Department.

And the Amendment, having been put, was lost on the following division :—

YEAS.

Messieurs :

Allen,	Duff,	Joynt,	McDonald,
Barr,	Eilber,	Kidd,	McLaughlin,
Beatty (Leeds),	Fallis,	Kribs,	Powell,
Boyd,	Foy,	Little,	Pyne,
Brower,	Fox,	Lucas,	Reid (Durham),
Carnegie,	Gallagher,	Marter,	Thompson,
Carscallen,	Hodgens,	Matheson,	Tucker,
Colquhoun,	Hoyle,	Miscampbell,	Wardell,
Crawford,	Jamieson,	Monteith,	White,
Dempsey,	Jessop,	Morrison,	Whitney—40.

NAYS.

Messieurs :

Auld,	Clarke,	Harcourt,	McKay,
Aylsworth,	Conmee,	Hardy,	McKee,
Barber,	Davis,	Harty,	Pardee,
Beatty (Parry Sound),	Dickenson,	Hill,	Pardo,
Bleazard,	Douglas,	Hislop,	Pattullo,
Bowman,	Dryden,	Holmes,	Pettypiece,
Bridgland,	Farwell,	Leys,	Ross,
Brown,	Ferguson,	Loughrin,	Russell,
Burt,	Garrow,	Lumsden,	Smith,
Caldwell,	German,	Malcolm,	Stratton,
Campbell,	Gibson,	Mutrie,	Taylor,
Carpenter,	Graham,	Macnish,	Truax—50.
Charlton,	Guibord,		

PAIRS.

Richardson Reid (Addington.)

The Resolution having been then again put, was carried on the following division :—

YEA'S.

Messieurs :

Auld,	Clarke,	Harcourt,	McKee,
Aylsworth,	Conmee,	Hardy,	Pardee,
Barber,	Davis,	Harty,	Pardo,
Beatty (Parry Sound),	Dickenson,	Hill,	Pattullo,
Bleazard,	Douglas,	Hislop,	Pettypiece,
Bowman,	Dryden,	Holmes,	Ross,
Bridgland,	Farwell,	Leys,	Russell,
Brown,	Ferguson,	Loughrin,	Smith,
Burt,	Garrow,	Lumsden,	Stratton,
Caldwell,	German,	Malcolm,	Taylor,
Campbell,	Gibson,	Mutrie,	Truax—50.
Carpenter,	Graham,	Macnish,	
Charlton,	Guibord,	McKay,	

NAYS.

Messieurs :

Allen,	Duff,	Joynt,	McDonald,
Barr,	Eilber,	Kidd,	McLaughlin,
Beatty (Leeds),	Fallis,	Kribs,	Powell,
Boyd,	Foy,	Little,	Pyne,
Brower,	Fox,	Lucas,	Reid (Durham),
Carnegie,	Gallagher,	Marter,	Thomson,
Carscallen,	Hodgens,	Matheson,	Tucker,
Colquhoun,	Hoyle,	Miscampbell,	Wardell,
Crawford,	Jamieson,	Monteith,	White,
Dempsey,	Jessop,	Morrison,	Whitney—40.

The Resolution was then concurred in.

The Ninth Resolution respecting the Inspection of Public Institutions having been again read,

Mr. Harcourt moved,

That the Resolution be now concurred in.

Mr. Brower moved in amendment, seconed by Mr. Kidd,

That the Resolution be not now concurred in, but be forthwith referred back to the Committee of Supply with instructions to reduce the item by \$4,000, being \$600 reduction on salary Inspection of Asylums, \$500 reduction on Inspection of Prisons and Charities, \$2,400 salary of Third Inspection and \$500 travelling expenses reduction.

And the Amendment, having been put, was lost on the following division :—

YEAS.

Messieurs :

Allen,	Duff,	Joynt,	McDonald,
Barr,	Eilber,	Kidd,	McLaughlin,
Beatty (Leeds),	Fallis,	Kribs,	Powell,
Boyd,	Foy,	Little,	Pyne,
Brower,	Fox,	Lucas,	Reid (Durham),
Carnegie,	Gallagher,	Marter,	Thompson,
Carscallen,	Hodgens,	Matheson,	Tucker,
Colquhoun,	Hoyle,	Miscampbell,	Wardell,
Crawford,	Jamieson,	Monteith,	White,
Dempsey,	Jessop,	Morrison,	Whitney—40.

NAYS.

Messieurs :

Auld,	Clarke,	Harcourt,	McKay,
Aylsworth,	Conmee,	Hardy,	McKee,
Barber,	Davis,	Harty,	Pardee,
Beatty (Parry Sound),	Dickenson,	Hill,	Pardo,
Blezard,	Douglas,	Hislop,	Pattullo,
Bowman,	Dryden,	Holmes,	Pettypiece,
Bridgland,	Farwell,	Leys,	Ross,
Brown,	Ferguson,	Loughrin,	Russell,
Burt,	Garraw,	Lumsden,	Smith,
Caldwell,	German,	Malcolm,	Stratton,
Campbell,	Gibson,	Mutrie,	Taylor,
Carpenter,	Graham,	Macnish,	Truax—50.
Charlton,	Guibord,		

PAIRS.

Richardson	Reid (Addington.)
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The Resolution having been then again put, was carried on the following division :—

YEAS.

Messieurs :

Auld,	Clarke,	Harcourt,	McKee,
Aylsworth,	Conmee,	Hardy,	Pardee,
Barber,	Davis,	Harty,	Pardo,
Beatty (Parry Sound),	Dickenson,	Hill,	Pattullo,
Bleizard,	Douglas,	Hislop,	Pettypiece,
Bowman,	Dryden,	Holmes,	Ross,
Bridgland,	Farwell,	Leys,	Russell,
Brown,	Ferguson,	Loughrin,	Smith,
Burt,	Garrow,	Lumsden,	Stratton,
Caldwell,	German,	Malcolm,	Taylor,
Campbell,	Gibson,	Mutrie,	Truax—50.
Carpenter,	Graham,	Macnish,	
Charlton,	Guibord,	McKay,	

NAYS.

Messieurs :

Allen,	Duff,	Joynt,	McDonald,
Barr,	Eilber,	Kidd,	McLaughlin,
Beatty (Leeds),	Fallis,	Kribs,	Powell,
Boyd,	Foy,	Little,	Pyne,
Brower,	Fox,	Lucas,	Reid (Durham),
Carnegie,	Gallagher,	Marter,	Thompson,
Carscallen,	Hodgens,	Matheson,	Tucker,
Oolquihoun,	Hoyle,	Miscampbell,	Wardell,
Crawford,	Jamieson,	Monteith,	White,
Dempsey,	Jessop,	Morrison,	Whitney—40.

PAIRS.

Richardson	Reid (Addington.)
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The Resolution was then concurred in.

The Fourteenth Resolution respecting Legislation, having been again read,

Mr. Harcourt moved,

That the Resolution be now concurred in.

Mr. Duff moved in amendment, seconded by Mr. Jamieson,

That the Resolution be not now concurred in, but be forthwith referred back to the Committee of Supply with instructions to reduce the item by \$5,000 being reduction of vote for stationery, printing etc., for Legislation, from \$20,000 to \$15,000.

And the Amendment having been put, was lost on the following division :—

YEAS.

Messieurs :

Allen,	Duff,	Joyst,	McDonald,
Barr,	Eilber,	Kidd,	McLaughlin,
Beatty (Leeds),	Fallis,	Kribs,	Powell,
Boyd,	Foy,	Little,	Pyne,
Brower,	Fox,	Lucas,	Reid (Durham),
Carnegie,	Gallagher,	Marter,	Thompson,
Carscallen,	Hodgens,	Matheson,	Tucker,
Colquhoun,	Hoyle,	Miscampbell,	Wardell,
Crawford,	Jamieson,	Monteith,	White,
Dempsey,	Jessop,	Morrison,	Whitney—40.

NAYS.

Messieurs :

Auld,	Clarke,	Harcourt,	McKay,
Aylsworth,	Conmee,	Hardy,	McKee,
Barber,	Davis,	Harty,	Pardee,
Beatty (Parry Sound),	Dickenson,	Hill,	Pardo,
Bleizard,	Douglas,	Hislop,	Pattullo,
Bowman,	Dryden,	Holmes,	Pettypiece,
Bridgland,	Farwell,	Leys,	Ross,
Brown,	Ferguson,	Loughrin,	Ruesell,
Burt,	Garrow,	Lumsden,	Smith,
Caldwell,	German,	Malcolm,	Stratton,
Campbell,	Gibson,	Mutrie,	Taylor,
Carpenter,	Graham,	Macnish,	Truax—50.
Charlton,	Guibord,		

PAIRS.

Richardson Reid (Addington.)

The Resolution having been then again put, was carried on the following division :—

YEAS.

Messieurs :

Auld,	Clarke,	Harcourt,	McKee,
Aylsworth,	Conmee,	Hardy,	Pardee,
Barber,	Davis,	Harty,	Pardo,
Beatty (Parry Sound),	Dickenson,	Hill,	Pattullo,
Bleizard,	Douglas,	Hislop,	Pettypiece,
Bowman,	Dryden,	Holmes,	Ross,
Bridgland,	Farwell,	Leys,	Russell,
Brown,	Ferguson,	Loughrin,	Smith,
Burt,	Garrow,	Lumsden,	Stratton,
Caldwell,	German,	Malcolm,	Taylor,
Campbell,	Gibson,	Mutrie,	Truax—50.
Carpenter,	Graham,	Macnish,	
Charlton,	Guibord,	McKay,	

NAYS.

Messieurs :

Allen,	Duff,	Joynt,	McDonald,
Barr,	Eilber,	Kidd,	McLaughlin,
Beatty (Leeds),	Fallis,	Kribs,	Powell,
Boyd,	Foy,	Little,	Pyne,
Brower,	Fox,	Lucas,	Reid (Durham)
Carnegie,	Gallagher,	Marter,	Thomson,
Carscallen,	Hodgens,	Matheson,	Tucker,
Colquhoun,	Hoyle,	Miscampbell,	Wardell,
Crawford,	Jamieson,	Monteith,	White,
Dempsey,	Jessop,	Morrison,	Whitney—40.

PAIRS.

Richardson Reid (Addington.)

The Resolution was then concurred in.

The Seventeenth Resolution respecting Miscellaneous, Criminal and Civil Justice having been again read,

Mr. Harcourt moved,

That the Resolution be now concurred in.

Mr. Thompson moved in amendment, seconded by Mr. White,

That the Resolution be not now concurred in, but be forthwith referred back to the Committee of Supply with instructions to reduce the item by \$5,200.00, being \$600 reduction of salary of Inspector Division Courts from \$1,800 to \$1,200, \$1,100 salary of second clerk, and \$3,500 reduction of vote for Drainage Trials Act.

And the Amendment, having been put, was lost on the following division :—

YEAS :

Messieurs :

Allen,	Duff,	Joynt,	McDonald,
Barr,	Eilber,	Kidd,	McLaughlin,
Beatty (Leeds),	Fallis,	Kribs,	Powell,
Boyd,	Foy,	Little,	Pyne,
Brower,	Fox,	Lucas,	Reid (Durham),
Carnegie,	Gallagher,	Marter,	Thompson,
Carscallen,	Hodgens,	Matheson,	Tucker,
Colquhoun,	Hoyle,	Miscampbell,	Wardell,
Crawford,	Jamieson,	Monteith,	White,
Dempsey,	Jessop,	Morrison,	Whitney—40.

NAYS:

Messieurs :

Auld,	Clarke,	Harcourt,	McKee,
Aylsworth,	Conmee,	Hardy,	Pardee,
Barber,	Davis,	Harty,	Pardo,
Beatty (Parry Sound),	Dickenson,	Hill,	Pattullo,
Bleizard,	Douglas,	Hislop,	Pettypiece,
Bowman,	Dryden,	Holmes,	Ross,
Bridgland,	Farwell,	Leys,	Russell,
Brown,	Ferguson,	Loughrin,	Smith,
Burt,	Garrow,	Lumsden,	Stratton,
Caldwell,	German,	Malcolm,	Taylor,
Campbell,	Gibson,	Mutrie,	Truax—50.
Carpenter,	Graham,	Macnish,	
Charlton,	Guibord,	McKay,	

PAIRS.

Richardson Reid (Addington)

The Resolution having been then again put was carried on the following division :—

YEAS.

Messieurs :

Auld,	Clarke,	Harcourt,	McKee,
Aylsworth,	Conmee,	Hardy,	Pardee,
Barber,	Davis,	Harty,	Pardo,
Beatty (Parry Sound),	Dickenson,	Hill,	Pattullo,
Bleizard,	Douglas,	Hislop,	Pettypiece,
Bowman,	Dryden,	Holmes,	Ross,
Bridgland,	Farwell,	Leys,	Russell,
Brown,	Ferguson,	Loughrin,	Smith,
Burt,	Garrow,	Lumsden,	Stratton,
Caldwell,	German,	Malcolm,	Taylor,
Campbell,	Gibson,	Mutrie,	Truax—50.
Carpenter,	Graham,	Macnish,	
Charlton,	Guibord,	McKay,	

NAYS.

Messieurs :

Allen,	Duff,	Joyst,	McDonald,
Barr,	Eilber,	Kidd,	McLaughlin,
Beatty (Leeds).	Fallis,	Kribs,	Powell,
Boyd,	Foy,	Little,	Pyne,
Brower,	Fox,	Lucas,	Reid (Durham),
Carnegie,	Gallager,	Marter,	Thomson,
Oarscallen,	Hodgens,	Matheson,	Tucker,
Colquhoun,	Hoyle,	Miscampbell,	Wardell,
Crawford,	Jamieson,	Monteith,	White,
Dempsey,	Jessop,	Morrison,	Whitney—40.

PAIRS.

Richardson	Reid (Addington)
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The Resolution was then concurred in.

The Eighteenth Resolution respecting Public and Separate Schools, having been again read, was concurred in.

The Twenty-second Resolution respecting Public Libraries, Art Schools, Literary and Scientific Institutions, having been again read,

Mr. Harcourt moved,

That the Resolution be now concurred in.

Mr. Morrison moved in amendment, seconded by Mr. Colquhoun,

That the Resolution be not now concurred in, but be forthwith referred back to the Committee of Supply with instructions to reduce the item by \$1,250, being vote for Canadian Institute.

And the Amendment, having been put, was lost on the following division :—

YEA'S.

Messieurs :

Allen,	Duff,	Joynt,	McDonald,
Barr,	Eilber,	Kidd,	McLaughlin,
Beatty (Leeds),	Fallis,	Kribs,	Powell,
Boyd,	Foy,	Little,	Pyne,
Brower,	Fox,	Lucas,	Reid (Durham),
Carnegie,	Gallagher,	Marter,	Thompson,
Carscallen,	Hodgens,	Matheson,	Tucker,
Colquhoun,	Hoyle,	Miscampbell,	Wardell,
Crawford,	Jamieson,	Monteith,	White,
Dempsey,	Jessop,	Morrison,	Whitney—40.

NAYS :

Messieurs :

Auld,	Clarke,	Harcourt,	McKee,
Aylsworth,	Conmeee,	Hardy,	Pardee,
Barber,	Davis,	Harty,	Pardo,
Beatty (Parry Sound),	Dickenson,	Hill,	Pattullo,
Bleizard,	Douglas,	Hislop,	Pettypiece,
Bowman,	Dryden,	Holmes,	Ross,
Bridgland,	Farwell,	Leys,	Russell,
Brown,	Ferguson,	Loughrin,	Smith,
Burt,	Garrow,	Lumsden,	Stratton,
Caldwell,	German,	Malcolm,	Taylor,
Campbell,	Gibson,	Mutrie,	Truax—50.
Carpenter,	Graham,	Macnish,	
Charlton,	Guibord,	McKay,	

PAIRS

Richardson Reid (Addington).

The Resolution having been again put, was carried on the following division :—

YEAS :

Messieurs :

Auld,	Clarke,	Harcourt,	McKee,
Aylsworth,	Conmee,	Hardy,	Pardee,
Barber,	Davis,	Harty,	Pardo,
Beatty (Parry Sound),	Dickenson,	Hill,	Pattullo,
Bleizard,	Douglas,	Hislop,	Pettypiece,
Bowman,	Dryden,	Holmes,	Ross,
Bridgeland,	Farwell,	Leys,	Russell,
Brown,	Ferguson,	Loughrin,	Smith,
Burt,	Garrow,	Lumsden,	Stratton,
Caldwell,	German,	Malcolm,	Taylor,
Campbell,	Gibson,	Mutrie,	Truax—50.
Carpenter,	Graham,	Macnish,	
Charlton,	Guibord,	McKay,	

NAYS :

Messieurs :

Allen,	Duff,	Joynt,	McDonald,
Barr,	Eilber,	Kidd,	McLaughlin,
Beatty (Leeds),	Fallis,	Kribs,	Powell,
Boyd,	Foy,	Little,	Pyne,
Brower,	Fox,	Lucas,	Reid (Durham),
Carnegie,	Gallagher,	Marter,	Thomson,
Carscallen,	Hodgens,	Matheson,	Tucker,
Colquhoun,	Hoyle,	Miscampbell,	Wardell,
Crawford,	Jamieson,	Monteith,	White,
Dempsey,	Jessop,	Morrison,	Whitney—40.

PAIRS.

Richardson Reid (Addington.)

The Resolution was then concurred in.

The Twenty-third Resolution, respecting Miscellaneous Expenses of Education, having been again read.

Mr. Harcourt moved,

That the Resolution be now concurred in.

Mr. Joynt moved in amendment, seconded by Mr. Tucker.

That the Resolution be not now concurred in, but be forthwith referred back to the Committee of Supply with instructions to reduce the item by \$1,350, being votes of \$850 for Documentary History of Education and \$500 printing University Historical Paper.

And the Amendment, having been put, was lost on the following division :—

YEAS.

Messieurs :

Allen,	Duff,	Joynt,	McDonald,
Barr,	Eilber,	Kidd,	McLaughlin,
Beatty (Leeds),	Fallis,	Kribs,	Powell,
Boyd,	Foy,	Little,	Pyne,
Brower,	Fox,	Lucas,	Reid (Durham),
Carnegie,	Gallagher,	Marter,	Thounson,
Carscallen,	Hodgens,	Matheson,	Tucker,
Colquhoun,	Hoyle,	Miscampbell,	Wardell,
Crawford,	Jamieson,	Monteith,	White,
Dempsey,	Jessop,	Morrison,	Whitney—40.

NAYS.

Messieurs :

Auld,	Clarke,	Harcourt,	McKee,
Aylsworth,	Conmee,	Hardy,	Pardee,
Barber,	Davis,	Harty,	Pardo,
Beatty (Parry Sound),	Dickenson,	Hill,	Pattullo,
Bleizard,	Douglas,	Hislop,	Pettypiece,
Bowman,	Dryden,	Holmes,	Ross,
Bridgland,	Farwell,	Ley s,	Russell,
Brown,	Ferguson,	Loughrin,	Smith,
Burt,	Garrow,	Lumsden,	Stratton,
Caldwell,	German,	Malcolm,	Taylor,
Campbell,	Gibson,	Mutrie,	Truax—50.
Carpenter,	Graham,	Macnish,	
Charlton,	Guibord,	McKay,	

PAIRS.

Richardson Reid (Addington.)

The Resolution having been then again put, was carried on the following division :—

YEAS :

Messieurs :

Auld,	Clarke,	Harcourt,	McKee,
Aylsworth,	Conmee,	Hardy,	Pardee,
Barber,	Davis,	Harty,	Pardo,
Beatty (Parry Sound),	Dickenson,	Hill,	Pattullo,
Bleizard,	Douglas,	Hislop,	Pettypiece,
Bowman,	Dryden,	Holmes,	Ross,
Bridgland,	Farwell,	Ley s,	Russell,
Brown,	Ferguson,	Loughrin,	Smith,
Burt,	Garrow,	Lumsden,	Stratton,
Caldwell,	German,	Malcolm,	Taylor,
Campbell,	Gibson,	Mutrie,	Truax—50.
Carpenter,	Graham,	Macnish,	
Charlton,	Guibord,	McKay,	

NAYS :

Messieurs :

Allen,	Duff,	Joyn,	McDonald,
Barr,	Eilber,	Kidd,	McLaughlin,
Beatty (Leeds),	Fallis,	Kribs,	Powell,
Boyd,	Foy,	Little,	Pyne,
Brower,	Fox,	Lucas,	Reid (Durham),
Carnegie,	Gallagher,	Marter,	Thompson,
Carscallen,	Hodgens,	Matheson,	Tucker,
Colquhoun,	Hoyle,	Miscampbell,	Wardell,
Crawford,	Jamieson,	Monteith,	White,
Dempsey,	Jessop,	Morrison,	Whitney—40

PAIRS.

Richardson	Reid (Addington.)
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The Resolution was then concurred in.

The Twenty-fifth Resolution, respecting the Asylum for the Insane, Toronto, having been again read, was concurred in.

The Twenty-sixth Resolution, respecting the Asylum for the Insane, London, having been again read,

Mr. Miscampbell moved in amendment, seconded by Mr. Foy.

That the Resolution be not now concurred in, but be forthwith referred back to the Committee of Supply with instructions to reduce the item by \$8,000, being \$5,000 reduction in vote for fuel and \$3,000 reduction in vote for farm and garden feed and fodder.

And the Amendment having been put, was lost on the following division :—

YEAS.

Messieurs :

Allen,	Duff,	Joyn,	McDonald,
Barr,	Eilber,	Kidd,	McLaughlin,
Beatty (Leeds)	Fallis,	Kribs,	Powell,
Boyd,	Foy,	Little,	Pyne,
Brower,	Fox,	Lucas,	Reid (Durham),
Carnegie,	Gallagher,	Marter,	Thompson,
Carscallen,	Hodgens,	Matheson,	Tucker,
Colquhoun,	Hoyle,	Miscampbell,	Wardell,
Crawford,	Jamieson,	Monteith,	White,
Dempsey,	Jessop,	Morrison.	Whitney—40.

NAYS.

Messieurs :

Auld,	Clarke,	Harcourt.	McKee,
Aylsworth,	Conmee,	Hardy,	Pardee,
Barber,	Davis,	Harty,	Pardo,
Beatty (Parry Sound),	Dickenson,	Hill,	Pattullo,
Bleizard,	Douglas,	Hislop,	Pettypiece,
Bowman,	Dryden,	Holmes,	Ross,
Bridgland,	Farwell,	Leys,	Russell,
Brown,	Ferguson,	Loughrin,	Smith,
Burt,	Garrow,	Lumsden,	Stratton,
Caldwell,	German,	Malcolm,	Taylor,
Campbell,	Gibson,	Mutrie,	Traux—50.
Carpenter,	Graham,	Macnish,	
Charlton,	Guibord,	McKay,	

PAIRS.

Richardson Reid (Addington).

The Resolution having been then again put, was carried on the following division :—

YEAS :

Messieurs :

Auld,	Clarke,	Harcourt,	McKee,
Aylsworth,	Conmee,	Hardy,	Pardee,
Barber,	Davis,	Harty,	Pardo,
Beatty (Parry Sound),	Dickenson,	Hill,	Pattullo,
Bleizard,	Douglas,	Hislop,	Pettypiece,
Bowman,	Dryden,	Holmes,	Ross,
Bridgland,	Farwell,	Leys,	Russell,
Brown,	Ferguson,	Loughrin,	Smith,
Burt,	Garrow,	Lumsden,	Stratton,
Caldwell,	German,	Malcolm,	Taylor,
Campbell,	Gibson,	Mutrie,	Truax—50.
Carpenter,	Graham,	Macnish,	
Charlton,	Guibord,	McKay,	

NAYS :

Messieurs :

Allen,	Duff,	Joynt,	McDonald,
Barr,	Eilber,	Kidd,	McLaughlin,
Beatty (Leeds),	Fallis,	Kribs,	Powell,
Boyd,	Foy,	Little,	Pyne,
Brower,	Fox,	Lucas,	Reid (Durham)
Carnegie,	Gallagher,	Marter,	Thompson,
Ca scallen,	Hodgens,	Matheson,	Tucker,
Colquhoun,	Hoye,	Miscampbell,	Wardell,
Crawford,	Janieson,	Monteith,	White,
Dempsey,	Jessop,	Morrison,	Whitney—40.

PAIRS.

Richardson Reid (Addington).

The Resolution was then concurred in.

The Twenty-eighth Resolution, respecting the Asylum for the Insane, Hamilton, having been again read, was concurred in.

The Thirty-first Resolution, respecting the Asylum for the Insane, Orillia, having been again read, was concurred in.

The Thirty-third Resolution, respecting the Ontario Reformatory, Penetanguishene, having been again read,

Mr. Harcourt moved,

That the Resolution be now concurred in.

Mr. Lucas moved in amendment, seconded by Mr. Reid (Durham),

That the Resolution be not now concurred in, but be forthwith referred back to the Committee of Supply with instructions to reduce the item by \$3,150, being first Superintendent's salary \$1,800, Bursar's salary \$850, and for guards reduction of \$400.

And the Amendment, having been put, was lost on the following division :—

YEAS.

Messieurs :

Allen,	Duff,	Joyst,	McDonald,
Barr,	Eilber,	Kidd,	McLaughlin,
Beatty (Leeds),	Fallis,	Kribs,	Powell,
Boyd,	Foy,	Little,	Pyne,
Brower,	Fox,	Lucas,	Reid (Durham),
Carnegie,	Gallagher,	Marter,	Thomson,
Oarscallen,	Hodgens,	Matheson,	Tucker,
Colquhoun,	Hoyle,	Miscampbell,	Wardell,
Crawford,	Jamieson,	Monteith,	White,
Dempsey.	Jessop,	Morrison,	Whitney—40.

NAYS.

Messieurs :

Auld,	Clarke,	Harcourt,	McKee,
Aylsworth.	Conmee,	Hardy,	Pardee,
Barber,	Davis,	Harty,	Pardo,
Beatty (Parry Sound),	Dickenson,	Hill,	Pattullo,
Bleizard,	Douglas,	Hislop,	Pettypiece,
Bowman,	Dryden,	Holmes,	Ross,
Bridgland,	Farwell,	Leys,	Russell,
Brown,	Ferguson,	Loughrin,	Smith,
Burt,	Garrow,	Lumsden,	Stratton,
Caldwell,	German,	Malcolm,	Taylor,
Campbell,	Gibson,	Mutrie,	Truax—50.
Carpenter,	Graham,	Macnish,	
Charlton,	Guibord,	McKay,	

PAIRS.

Richardson	Reid (Addington)
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The Resolution, having been then again put, was carried on the following division :—

YEAS :

Messieurs :

Auld,	Clarke,	Harcourt,	McKee,
Aylsworth,	Oonmee,	Hardy,	Pardee,
Barber,	Davis,	Harty,	Pardo,
Beatty (Parry Sound),	Dickenson,	Hill,	Pattullo,
Blezard,	Douglas,	Hislop,	Pettypiece,
Bowman,	Dryden,	Holmes,	Ross,
Bridgland,	Farwell,	Leys,	Russell,
Brown,	Ferguson,	Loughrin,	Smith,
Burt,	Garrow,	Lumsden,	Stratton,
Caldwell,	German,	Malcolm,	Taylor,
Campbell,	Gibson,	Mutrie,	Truax—50.
Carpenter,	Graham,	Macnish,	
Charlton,	Guibord,	McKay,	

NAYS :

Messieurs :

Allen,	Duff,	Joynt,	McDonald,
Barr,	Eilber,	Kidd,	McLaughlin,
Beatty (Leeds),	Fallis,	Kribs,	Powell,
Boyd,	Foy,	Little,	Pyne,
Brower,	Fox,	Lucas,	Reid (Durham),
Carnegie,	Gallagher,	Marter,	Thomson,
Carscallen,	Hodgens,	Matheson,	Tucker,
Colquhoun,	Hoyle,	Miscampbell,	Wardell,
Crawford,	Jamieson,	Monteith,	White,
Dempsey,	Jessop,	Morrison,	Whitney—40.

PAIRS.

Richardson Reid (Addington.)

The Resolution was then concurred in.

The Thirty-seventh Resolution, respecting Immigration, having been again read,

Mr. Fox moved, seconded by Mr. Dempsey,

That the Resolution be not now concurred in, but be forthwith referred back to the Committee of Supply with instruction to reduce the item by \$4,825, being Immigration vote for Agencies in Europe.

And the Amendment, having been put, was lost on the following division :—

YEAS.

Messieurs :

Allen,	Duff,	Joynt,	McDonald,
Barr,	Eilber,	Kidd,	McLaughlin,
Beatty (Leeds),	Fallis,	Kribs,	Powell,
Boyd,	Foy,	Little,	Pyne,
Brower,	Fox,	Lucas,	Reid (Durham),
Carnegie,	Gallagher,	Marter,	Thompson,
Carscallen,	Hodgens,	Matheson,	Tucker,
Colquhoun,	Hoyle,	Miscampbell,	Wardell,
Crawford,	Jamieson,	Monteith,	White,
Dempsey,	Jessop,	Morrison,	Whitney—40.

NAYS.

Messieurs :

Auld,	Clarke,	Harcourt,	McKee,
Aylsworth,	Conmee,	Hardy,	Pardee,
Barber,	Davis,	Harty,	Pardo,
Beatty (Parry Sound),	Dickenson,	Hill,	Pattullo,
Bleizard,	Douglas,	Hislop,	Pettypiece,
Bowman,	Dryden,	Holmes,	Ross,
Bridgland,	Farwell,	Leys,	Russell,
Brown,	Ferguson,	Loughrin,	Smith,
Burt,	Garrow,	Lumsden,	Stratton,
Caldwell,	German,	Malcolm,	Taylor,
Campbell,	Gibson,	Mutrie,	Traux—50.
Carpenter,	Graham,	Macnish,	
Charlton,	Guibord,	McKay,	

PAIRS.

Richardson	Reid (Addington.)
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The Resolution, having been then again put, was carried on the following division :—

YEAS.

Messieurs :

Auld,	Clarke,	Harcourt,	McKee,
Aylsworth,	Conmee,	Hardy,	Pardee,
Barber,	Davis,	Harty,	Pardo,
Beatty (Parry Sound),	Dickenson,	Hill,	Pattullo,
Bleizard,	Douglas,	Hislop,	Pettypiece,
Bowman,	Dryden,	Holmes,	Ross,
Bridgland,	Farwell,	Leys,	Russell,
Brown,	Ferguson,	Loughrin,	Smith,
Burt,	Garrow,	Lumsden,	Stratton,
Caldwell,	German,	Malcolm,	Taylor,
Campbell,	Gibson,	Mutrie,	Traux—50.
Carpenter,	Graham,	Macnish,	
Charlton,	Guibord,	McKay,	

NAYS.

Messieurs :

Allen,	Duff,	Joynt,	McDonald,
Barr,	Eilber,	Kidd,	McLaughlin,
Beatty (Leeds),	Fallis,	Kribs,	Powell,
Boyd,	Foy,	Little,	Pyne,
Brower,	Fox,	Lucas,	Reid (Durham),
Carnegie,	Gallagher,	Marter,	Thomson,
Carscallen,	Hodgens,	Matheson,	Tucker,
Colquhoun,	Hoyle,	Miscampbell,	Wardell,
Crawford,	Jamieson,	Monteith,	White,
Dempsey,	Jessop,	Morrison,	Whitney—40.

PAIRS.

Richardson Reid (Addington.)

The Resolution was then concurred in.

The Thirty-eighth Resolution, respecting Grants in aid of Agriculture, having been again read,

Mr. Harcourt moved,

That the Resolution be now concurred in.

Mr. Carnegie moved in Amendment, seconded by Mr. Little,

That the Resolution be not now concurred in, but be forthwith referred back to the Committee of Supply with instructions to reduce the item by \$8,100, being \$2,500 vote for instruction in fruit spraying, \$1,000, Pioneer Dairy Farm, and \$2,600 Western Dairy School and \$2,000 reduction in vote for printing.

And the Amendment, having been put, was lost on the following division :—

YEAS.

Messieurs :

Allen,	Duff,	Joynt,	McDonald,
Barr,	Eilber,	Kidd,	McLaughlin,
Beatty (Leeds),	Fallis,	Kribs,	Powell,
Boyd,	Foy,	Little,	Pyne,
Brower,	Fox,	Lucas,	Reid (Durham),
Carnegie,	Gallagher,	Marter,	Thomson,
Carscallen,	Hodgens,	Matheson,	Tucker,
Colquhoun,	Hoyle,	Miscampbell,	Wardell,
Crawford,	Jamieson,	Monteith,	White,
Dempsey,	Jessop,	Morrison,	Whitney—40.

NAYS.

Messieurs :

Auld,	Clarke,	Harcourt,	McKee,
Aylsworth,	Conmee,	Hardy,	Pardee,
Barber,	Davis,	Harty,	Pardo,
Beatty (Parry Sound),	Dickenson,	Hill,	Pattullo,
Bleizard,	Douglas,	Hislop,	Pettypiece,
Bowman,	Dryden,	Holmes,	Ross,
Bridgland,	Farwell,	Leys,	Russell,
Brown,	Ferguson,	Loughrin,	Smith,
Burt,	Garrow,	Lumsden,	Stratton,
Caldwell,	German,	Malcolm,	Taylor,
Campbell,	Gibson,	Mutrie,	Truax—50.
Carpenter,	Graham,	Macnish,	
Charlton,	Guibord,	McKay,	

PAIRS.

Richardson Reid (Addington.)

The Resolution, having been then again put, was carried on the following division :—

YEAS :

Messieurs :

Auld,	Clarke,	Harcourt,	McKee,
Aylsworth,	Conmee,	Hardy,	Pardee,
Barber,	Davis,	Harty,	Pardo,
Beatty (Parry Sound),	Dickenson,	Hill,	Pattullo,
Bleizard,	Douglas,	Hislop,	Pettypiece,
Bowman,	Dryden,	Holmes,	Ross,
Bridgland,	Farwell,	Leys,	Russell,
Brown,	Ferguson,	Loughrin,	Smith,
Burt,	Garrow,	Lumsden,	Stratton,
Caldwell,	German,	Malcolm,	Taylor,
Campbell,	Gibson,	Mutrie,	Truax—50.
Carpenter,	Graham,	Macnish,	
Charlton,	Guibord,	McKay,	

NAYS :

Messieurs :

Allen,	Duff,	Joynt,	McDonald,
Barr,	Eilber,	Kidd,	McLaughlin,
Beatty (Leeds),	Fallis,	Kribs,	Powell,
Boyd,	Foy,	Little,	Pyne,
Brower,	Fox,	Lucas,	Reid (Durham),
Carnegie,	Gallagher,	Marter,	Thompson,
Carscallen,	Hodgens,	Matheson,	Tucker,
Colquhoune,	Hoyle,	Miscampbell,	Wardell,
Crawford,	Jamieson,	Monteith,	White,
Dempsey,	Jessop,	Morrison,	Whitney—40.

PAIRS.

Richardson Reid (Addington.)

The Resolution was then concurred in.

The Seventy-first Resolution, respecting works at Normal School, London, having been again read, was carried on the following Division :—

YEAS.

Messieurs :

Auld,	Clarke,	Harcourt,	McKee,
Aylsworth,	Conmee,	Hardy,	Pardee,
Barber,	Davis,	Harty,	Pardo,
Beatty (Parry Sound),	Dickenson,	Hill,	Pattullo,
Bleizard,	Douglas,	Hislop,	Pettypiece,
Bowman,	Dryden,	Holmes,	Ross,
Bridgland,	Farwell,	Leys,	Russell,
Brown,	Ferguson,	Loughrin,	Smith,
Burt,	Garrow,	Lumsden,	Stratton,
Caldwell,	German,	Malcolm,	Taylor,
Campbell,	Gibson,	Mutrie,	Truax—50
Carpenter,	Graham,	Macnish,	
Charlton,	Guibord,	McKay,	

NAYS.

Messieurs :

Allen,	Duff,	Joyst,	McDonald,
Barr,	Eilber,	Kidd,	McLaughlin,
Beatty (Leeds),	Fallis,	Kribs,	Powell,
Boyd,	Foy,	Little,	Pyne,
Brower,	Fox,	Lucas,	Reid (Durham)
Carnegie,	Gallagher,	Marter,	Thomson,
Carscallen,	Hodgens,	Matheson,	Tucker,
Col'quhoun,	Hoyle,	Miscampbell,	Wardell,
Crawford,	Jamieson,	Monteith,	White,
Dempsey,	Jessop,	Morrison,	Whitney—40.

PAIRS.

Richardson Reid (Addington.)

The Resolution was then concurred in.

The Eighty-second Resolution, respecting the Expenses of Works at Reformatory for Boys in the County of Oxford, having been again read, was carried on the following Division :—

YEAS.

Messieurs :

Auld,	Clarke,	Harcourt,	McKee,
Aylsworth,	Conmee,	Hardy,	Pardee,
Barber,	Davis,	Harty,	Pardo,
Beatty (Parry Sound),	Dickenson,	Hill,	Pattullo,
Bleizard,	Douglas,	Hislop,	Pettypiece,
Bowman,	Dryden,	Holmes,	Ross,
Bridgland,	Farwell,	Leys,	Russell,
Brown,	Ferguson,	Loughrin,	Smith,
Burt,	Garrow,	Lumsden,	Stratton,
Caldwell,	German,	Malcolm,	Taylor,
Campbell,	Gibson,	Mutrie,	Truax—50.
Carpenter,	Graham,	Macnish,	
Charlton,	Guibord,	McKay,	

NAYS.

Messieurs :

Allen,	Duff,	Joynt,	McDonald,
Barr,	Eilber,	Kidd,	McLaughlin,
Beatty (Leeds),	Fallis,	Kribs,	Powell,
Boyd,	Foy,	Little,	Pyne,
Brower,	Fox,	Lucas,	Reid (Durham
Carnegie,	Gallagher,	Marter,	Thompson,
Carscallen,	Hodgens,	Matheson,	Tucker,
Colquhoun,	Hoyle,	Miscampbell,	Wardell,
Crawford,	Jemieson,	Monteith,	White,
Dempsey,	Jessop,	Morrison,	Whitney—40.

PAIRS.

Richardson Reid (Addington.)

The Resolution was then concurred in.

The Eighty-fifth Resolution, respecting Charges on Crown Lands, having been again read, Mr. Harcourt moved,

That the Resolution be now concurred in.

Mr. Wardell moved in amendment, seconded by Mr. Lucas,

That the Resolution be not now concurred in, but be forthwith referred back to the Committee of Supply with instructions to reduce the item by \$6,000 being reduction of vote for Forest Ranging from \$26,000 to \$20,000.

And the Amendment, having been put, was lost on the following Division :

YEAS.

Messieurs :

Allen,	Duff,	Joynt,	McDonald,
Barr,	Eilber,	Kidd,	McLaughlin,
Beatty (Leeds),	Fallis,	Kribs,	Powell,
Boyd,	Foy,	Little,	Pyne,
Brower,	Fox,	Lucas,	Reid (Durham
Carnegie,	Gallagher,	Marter,	Thompson,
Carscallen,	Hodgens,	Matheson,	Tucker,
Colquhoun,	Hoyle,	Miscampbell,	Wardell,
Crawford,	Jemieson,	Monteith,	White,
Dempsey,	Jessop,	Morrison,	Whitney—40.

NAYS.

Messieurs :

Auld,	Clarke,	Harcourt,	McKee,
Aylsworth,	Conmee,	Hardy,	Pardee,
Barber,	Davis,	Harty,	Pardo,
Beatty (Parry Sound),	Dickenson,	Hill,	Pattullo,
Blezard,	Douglas,	Hislop,	Pettypiece,
Bowman,	Dryden,	Holmes,	Ross,
Bridgland,	Farwell,	Leys,	Russell,
Brown,	Ferguson,	Loughrin,	Smith,
Burt,	Garrow,	Lumsden,	Stratton,
Caldwell,	German,	Malcolm,	Taylor,
Campbell,	Gibson,	Mutrie,	Traux—50.
Carpenter,	Graham,	Macnish,	
Charlton,	Guibord,	McKay,	

PAIRS.

Richardson Reid (Addington.)

The Resolution, having been again put, was carried on the following Division :—

YEAS :

Messieurs :

Auld,	Clarke,	Harcourt,	McKee,
Aylsworth,	Conmee,	Hardy,	Pardee,
Barber,	Davis,	Harty,	Pardo,
Beatty (Parry Sound),	Dickenson,	Hill,	Pattullo,
Blezard,	Douglas,	Hislop,	Pettypiece,
Bowman,	Dryden,	Holmes,	Ross,
Bridgland,	Farwell,	Leys,	Russell,
Brown,	Ferguson,	Loughrin,	Smith,
Burt,	Garrow,	Lumsden,	Stratton,
Caldwell,	German,	Malcolm,	Taylor,
Campbell,	Gibson,	Mutrie,	Truax—50.
Carpenter,	Graham,	Macnish,	
Charlton,	Guibord,	McKay,	

NAYS :

Messieurs :

Allen,	Duff,	Joynt,	McDonald,
Barr,	Eilber,	Kidd,	McLaughlin,
Beatty (Leeds),	Fallis,	Kribs,	Powell,
Boyd,	Foy,	Little,	Pyne,
Brower,	Fox,	Lucas,	Reid (Durham),
Carnegie,	Gallagher,	Marter,	Thomson,
Carscallen,	Hodgens,	Matheson,	Tucker,
Colquhoun,	Hoyle,	Miscampbell,	Wardell,
Crawford,	Jamieson,	Monteith,	White,
Dempsey,	Jessop,	Morrison,	Whitney—40.

PAIRS.

Richardson Reid (Addington.)

The Resolution was then concurred in.

The Ninety-second Resolution, respecting Miscellaneous Expenditure, having been again read,

Mr. Harcourt moved,

That the Resolution be now concurred in.

Mr. Jamieson moved in amendment, seconded by Mr. Duff,

That the Resolution be not now concurred in, but be forthwith referred back to the Committee of Supply with instructions to reduce the item by \$2,750, being \$250 vote for Vaccine Farm, \$1,000 reduction in vote for Colonization Pamphlets and \$1,500 reduction in vote for Victoria Order of Nurses from \$2,500 to \$1,000.

The Amendment, having been put, was lost on the following Division :

YEAS.

Messieurs :

Allen,	Duff,	Joynt,	McDonald,
Barr,	Eilber,	Kidd,	McLaughlin,
Beatty (Leeds),	Fallis,	Krib,	Powell,
Boyd,	Foy,	Little,	Pyne,
Brower,	Fox,	Lucas,	Reid (Durham),
Carnegie,	Gallagher,	Marter,	Thompson,
Carscallen,	Hodgens,	Matheson,	Tucker,
Colquhoun,	Hoyle,	Miscampbell,	Wardell,
Crawford,	Jamieson,	Monteith,	White,
Dempsey,	Jessop,	Morrison,	Whitney—40.

NAYS.

Messieurs :

Auld,	Clarke,	Harcourt,	McKee,
Aylsworth,	Conmee,	Hardy,	Pardee,
Barber,	Davis,	Harty,	Pardo,
Beatty (Parry Sound),	Dickenson,	Hill,	Pattullo,
Bleizard,	Douglas,	Hyslop,	Pettypiece,
Bowman,	Dryden,	Holmes,	Ross,
Bridgland,	Farwell,	Leys,	Russell,
Brown,	Ferguson,	Loughrin,	Smith,
Burt,	Garrow,	Lumsden,	Stratton,
Caldwell,	German,	Malcolm,	Taylor,
Campbell,	Gibson,	Mutrie,	Truax—50.
Carpenter,	Graham,	Macnish,	
Charlton,	Guibord,	McKay,	

PAIRS.

Richardson Reid (Addington.)

The Resolution, having been then again put, was carried on the following Division :

YEAS.

Messieurs :

Auld,	Clarke,	Harcourt,	McKee,
Aylsworth,	Conmee,	Hardy,	Pardee,
Barber,	Davis,	Harty,	Pardo,
Beatty (Parry Sound),	Dickenson,	Hill,	Pattullo,
Bleizard,	Douglas,	Hislop,	Pettypiece,
Bowman,	Dryden,	Holmes,	Ross,
Bridgland,	Farwell,	Leys,	Russell,
Brown,	Ferguson,	Loughrin,	Smith,
Burt,	Garrow,	Lumsden,	Stratton,
Caldwell,	German,	Malcolm,	Taylor,
Campbell,	Gibson,	Mutrie,	Traux—50.
Carpenter,	Graham,	Macnish,	
Charlton,	Guibord,	McKay,	

NAYS.

Messieurs :

Allen,	Duff,	Joynt,	McDonald,
Barr,	Eilber,	Kidd,	McLaughlin,
Beatty (Leeds),	Fallis,	Kribs,	Powell,
Boyd,	Foy,	Little,	Pyne,
Brower,	Fox,	Lucas,	Reid (Durham),
Carnegie,	Gallagher,	Marter,	Thompson,
Carscallen,	Hodgens,	Matheson,	Tucker,
Colquhoun,	Hoyle,	Miscampbell,	Wardell,
Crawford,	Jamieson,	Monteith,	White,
Dempsey,	Jessop,	Morrison,	Whitney—40.

PAIRS.

Richardson	Reid (Addington)
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The Resolution was then concurred in.

The Order of the Day for the third reading of Bill (No. 226), Respecting Executions and Sheriffs having been read,

Ordered, That the Order be discharged, and that the Bill be forthwith referred back to a Committee of the Whole, with instructions to amend the same.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee ; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; and Mr. Stratton reported, That the Committee had amended the Bill as directed.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

The Order of the Day for the third reading of Bill (No. 229), To erect Manitoulin into a Provisional Judicial District having been read,

Ordered, That the Order be discharged, and that the Bill be forthwith referred back to a Committee of the Whole, with instructions to amend the same.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee ; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; and Mr. Stratton reported, That the Committee had amended the Bill as directed.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider (Bill 162), To incorporate the Ontario Historical Society and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; and Mr. Stratton reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill without any amendment,

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 197), To amend the Ontario Tree Planting Act, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; and Mr. Stratton reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 208), To amend the Public Health Act, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; and Mr. Stratton reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 211), Respecting Cheese and Butter Exchanges and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; and Mr. Stratton reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill without any amendment,

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 203), To amend the Electric Railway Act, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; and Mr. Stratton reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill No. 130), Respecting Sureties, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; and Mr. Stratton reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill No. 222), To amend the Mines Act, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; and Mr. Stratton reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill with certain amendments.

Ordered, That the Amendments be taken into consideration forthwith.

The Amendments, having been read the second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

The following Bills were severally read the second time :—

Bill (No. 215), Respecting the Law of Insurance.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 252), To amend the Loan Corporations Act.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 244), To amend the Ontario Anatomy Act.

Referred to a Select Committee to be composed as follows —Messieurs. Bridgland, Barr, Jamieson, Pyne, Pardee, Graham and McKay.

Bill (No. 248, To amend the Municipal Act.

Referred to the Legal Committee.

On motion of Mr. Gibson, seconded by Mr. Dryden,

Resolved, That this House doth ratify a certain Agreement—a copy of which was laid upon the Table on Saturday, the twenty-fifth day of March, instant—made by and between Her Majesty the Queen, represented by the Commissioner of Crown Lands of the one part, and the Sturgeon Falls Pulp Co'y, Limited, of the other part, and bearing date on the sixth day of October, A D. 1898, *in re* the purchase from the Ontario Company of certain property at Sturgeon Falls, being pulp mill, water power, buildings and machinery, &c., and for the operation of same and the construction of certain other buildings so that the equipment will be at least the sum of \$1,000,000.

Mr. Davis presented to the House by command of His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor :—

Report of the Bureau of Mines for the year 1898. (*Sessional Papers No. 38.*)

Also—Report of the Secretary and Registrar of the Province for the year 1898. (*Sessional Papers No. 79.*)

Also—Correspondence and general information in respect of the application for grants of public money in aid of the construction of certain portions of the Central Counties Railway, the Central Ontario Railway, the Haliburton, Whitney and Mattawa Railway, the Irondale, Bancroft and Ottawa Railway, the James' Bay Railway, the Ontario, Belmont and Northern Railway, the Ontario, and Rainy River Railway, the Ontario Hudson's Bay and Western Railway. (*Sessional Papers No. 78.*)

Also—Report upon the Houses of Refuge of the Province for the year 1898. (*Sessional Papers No. 13.*)

Also—Report of the Inspector of Legal Offices for the year 1898. (*Sessional Papers No. 31.*)

Also—Report upon the Loan Corporations of Ontario for the year 1898. (*Sessional Papers No. 40.*)

Also—Reports on the operations of the Ontario Gold Concessions, Limited. (*Sessional Papers No. 80.*)

The House then adjourned at 11.30 p.m.

Thursday, 30th March, 1899.

11 O'CLOCK A.M.

PRAYERS.

Mr. Gibson from the Standing Committee on Private Bills presented their Eighteenth Report, which was read as follows and adopted :—

The Committee have carefully considered Bill (No. 251), “An Act to confer certain powers on the City of Kingston,” and report the same with certain amendments.

Mr. McKay from the Select Committee to whom was referred Bill (No. 244), To amend The Ontario Anatomy Act presented their Report, which was read as follows and adopted :—

The Committee have carefully considered the Bill to them referred and have prepared certain amendments thereto.

Mr. Stratton from the Standing Committee on Printing presented their Fourth Report, which was read as follows :—

The Committee recommend that the following documents be printed :—

Report upon the Houses of Refuge, Ontario, 1898. (*Sessional Papers No. 13*)

Report of the Bureau of Mines, 1898. (*Sessional Papers No. 38.*)

Report upon the Loan Corporations, Ontario, 1898. (*Sessional Papers No. 40*)

Correspondence and papers re Railway Aid. (*Sessional Papers No. 78.*)

Report of the Secretary and Registrar, Ontario, 1898. (*Sessional Papers No. 79.*)

Reports on the operations of the Ontario Gold Concessions, Limited. (*Sessional Papers No. 80.*)

Report of the Inspector of Legal Offices for the year 1898. (*Sessional Papers No. 81.*)

Reports relating to Toronto University. (*Sessional Papers No. 50.*)

Report of Principal of Upper Canada College. (*Sessional Papers No. 60.*)

Names of High School Teachers receiving Special Certificates. (*Sessional Papers No. 66.*)

The Committee recommend that the Report of the Bureau of Mines be issued in Parts similar to those of the Report last published, in order that the information contained therein may be earlier obtained and circulated to those interested.

The Committee recommend that the following documents be not printed:—

Librarian's Report on the state of the Library. (*Sessional Papers No. 51.*)

Report, Waterloo House of Refuge. (*Sessional Papers No. 52.*)

Copy of Order in Council *re* fees to Judge Jamieson. (*Sessional Papers, No. 53.*)

Copy of Order in Council *re* fees to Judge Hughes and others. (*Sessional Papers No. 54.*)

Return relating to the distribution of the Statutes, Revised and Sessional. (*Sessional Papers No. 55.*)

Return of correspondence *re* London Normal School. (*Sessional Papers No. 56.*)

Return of papers *re* confinement of H. A. McCrae in Asylums. (*Sessional Papers No. 57.*)

Return *re* rope manufacture at Central Prison. (*Sessional Papers No. 58.*)

Report of the Master of Titles. (*Sessional Papers No. 59.*)

Contract for Printing Paper. (*Sessional Papers No. 61*)

Papers *re* cut of Saw Logs in Winter of 1897-98. (*Sessional Papers No. 62.*)

Papers *re* purchase of Timber Berths since March, 1898. (*Sessional Papers No. 63.*)

Correspondence *re* Lincoln License Inspector. (*Sessional Papers No. 64.*)

Papers *re* Contract for Public Printing. (*Sessional Papers No. 65.*)

Papers *re* Lindsay Police Magistrate. (*Sessional Papers No. 67.*)

Miller's Report *re* discovery of gold in Marmora. (*Sessional Papers No. 68.*)

Papers in the matter of the Grant examination. (*Sessional Papers No. 69.*)

Report of Attorney-General *re* indebtedness of Townships of Dunwich and Aorborough. (*Sessional Papers No. 81.*)

The Committee recommend that twenty-five copies of Clarke and Senlys decisions of Referees on Drainage Cases be procured for the purposes of the Legislature.

Resolved, That this House doth concur in the Fourth Report of the Committee on Printing.

The following Bills were severally read the third time and passed :—

Bill (No. 29), Respecting the Town of Orillia.

Bill (No. 40), Respecting the Township of York.

Bill (No. 70), Respecting the Town of Kincardine.

Bill (No. 51), Respecting the Debenture Debt of the Town of Sarnia.

Bill (No. 27), Respecting the Town of Seaforth.

Bill (No. 82), Respecting the Corporation of the Town of Midland.

Bill (No. 28), To confirm an Agreement between the Town of Perth and the Perth Waterworks Company, Limited, and for other purposes.

Bill (No. 18), Respecting By-law No. 304 of the Village of Southampton.

Bill (No. 178), To amend the Law respecting the Liability of Trustees.

Bill (No. 226), Respecting Executions and Sheriffs.

Bill (No. 229), To erect Manitoulin into a Provisional Judicial District.

Bill (No. 234), Respecting the Action for Seduction.

Bill (No. 237), Respecting the Boundary between the Provinces of Ontario and Manitoba.

Bill (No. 213), To amend the Registry Act.

The Order of the Day for the third reading of Bill (No. 52), Respecting the City of Toronto having been read,

Mr. Crawford moved,

That the Bill be now read the third time.

Mr. Garrow moved in amendment, seconded by Mr. German,

That all the words of the motion, after the word "That" be omitted, and the following substituted: "the Bill be not now read the third time but be forthwith referred back to a Committee of the Whole House with instructions to amend the same by substituting the following section for section three of the Bill :

"3. The Corporation of the City of Toronto may register By-law 2164 of the said Corporation, and the Registrar of East Toronto is authorized to register the same as

"of the date at which the same was originally left with the Registrar of the City of Toronto, and if the Corporation of the City of Toronto shall so register the same then "it shall be lawful for any party to or interested in the pending litigation and appeal *in re* Henderson and the City of Toronto in addition to all his other rights and claims and "notwithstanding what purported to have been done under the said By-law, to object and "show that the said By-law 2164 was not passed in good faith as a local improvement "by-law and is not in truth a local improvement by-law within the true intent and meaning of the local improvement section of the Municipal Act and for any Court seized of "the said litigation or appeal to consider and determine that question, but nothing herein "contained shall affect the said pending litigation and appeal *in re* Henderson and the "City of Toronto or any other rights, issues or claims involved therein or in the action of "Wm. Mortimer Clark *vs.* Mary Callender Thompson *et al.* or any other action or proceeding now pending."

And the Amendment, having been put, was lost on a division.

The Motion for the third reading of the Bill, having been then again put,

Mr. Foy moved in amendment, seconded by Mr. Miscampbell,

That all the words of the Motion, after the word "That" be omitted, and the following substituted: "the Bill be not now read the third time but be forthwith referred back to a Committee of the Whole House with instructions to amend the same by adding the following clause thereto :—

"The Corporation of the City of Toronto may by by-law fix the assessment of the hotel to be erected by the Toronto Hotel Company for a period of ten years at the sum "of \$360,000 *per annum.*"

And the Amendment, having been put, was carried on the following division :—

YEAS.

Messieurs :

Allen,	Duff,	Jessop,	McDonald,
Barber,	Eilber,	Joynt,	McKay,
Barr,	Fallis,	Kidd,	McLaughlin,
Beatty (Leads),	Farwell,	Little,	Powell,
Bleizard,	Foy,	Lucas,	Pyne,
Boyd,	Fox,	Malcolm,	Reid (Durham),
Brower,	Gallagher,	Marter,	Taylor,
Burt,	Garrow,	Matheson,	Thompson,
Carnegie,	Hill,	Miscampbell,	Wardell,
Colquhoun,	Hodgens,	Monteith,	White,
Crawford,	Jamieson,	Morrison,	Whitney—45.
Dryden,			

NAYS.

Messieurs :

Auld,	Davis,	Harcourt,	Pardee,
Aylsworth,	Dickenson,	Harty,	Pardo,
Beatty (Parry Soun d,	Douglas,	Hislop,	Pattullo,
Bowman,	Ferguson,	Holmes,	Pettypiece,
Bridgland,	German,	Lumsden,	Ross,
Brown,	Gibson,	Mutrie,	Stratton,
Caldwell,	Graham,	Macnish,	Truax,
Charlton,	Guibord,	McKee,	Tucker—33.
Conmee,			

PAIRS.—NONE.

And the House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee ; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; and Mr. Stratton reported, That the Committee had amended the Bill as directed.

Ordered that the Bill be read the third time forthwith.

The Bill was then read the third time, and passed.

The following Bill was read the second time :—

Bill (No. 251), To confer certain powers upon the City of Kingston.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House at the next Sittings of the House to-day.

The House again resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 194), To amend the law with respect to Compensation to Workmen and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; and Mr. Stratton reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill with certain amendments.

Ordered, That the Amendments be taken into consideration forthwith.

The Amendments, having been read the second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time forthwith.

The Bill was then read the third time, and passed.

The following Bill was read the second time :—

Bill (No. 254), To improve the law relating to the Fisheries of the Province.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House forthwith.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; and Mr. Stratton reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill with certain amendments.

Ordered, That the Amendments be taken into consideration forthwith.

The Amendments, having been read the second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time forthwith.

The Bill was then read the third time, and passed.

The Attorney-General delivered to Mr. Speaker a Message from the Lieutenant-Governor, signed by himself; and the said message was read by Mr. Speaker, and is as follows:—

O. MOWAT.

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits Supplementary Estimates of certain further sums required to complete the services of the Province, for the year 1899, and recommends them to the Legislative Assembly.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,

Toronto, 30th March, 1899.

(*Sessional Papers No. 4.*)

Ordered. That the Message of the Lieutenant-Governor, together with the Estimates accompanying same, be referred to the Committee of Supply.

The Order of the Day for the third reading of Bill (No. 165), To Supplement the Revenues of the Province of Ontario having been read,

Mr. Harcourt moved,

That the Bill be now read the third time.

Mr. Whitney moved in amendment, seconded by Mr. Matheson.

That all the words of the Motion, after the word "That" be omitted, and the following substituted: "the Bill be not now read the third time but be read a third time on this day six months."

And the Amendment, having been put, was lost on the following division:—

YEAS.

Messieurs :

Allen,	Dempsey,	Jessop,	McLaughlin,
Barr,	Duff,	Joynt,	Powell,
Beatty (Leeds)	Eilber,	Kidd,	Pyne,
Boyd,	Fallis,	Little,	Reid, (Durham,
Brower,	Foy,	Lucas,	Thomson,
Carnegie,	Fox,	Marter,	Tucker,
Carscallen,	Gallagher,	Matheson,	Wardell,
Colquhoun,	Hodgens,	Monteith,	White,
Crawford,	Hoyle,	McDonald,	Whitney—36.

NAYS.

Messieurs :

Auld,	Charlton,	Harcourt,	Macnish,
Aylsworth,	Clarke,	Hardy,	McKay,
Barber,	Conmee,	Harty,	McKee,
Beatty (Parry Sound)	Davis,	Hill,	Pardee,
Bleizard,	Dickenson,	Hislop,	Pardo,
Bowman,	Dryden,	Holmes,	Pattullo,
Bridgland,	Farwell,	Leys,	Pettypiece,
Brown,	Ferguson,	Loughrin,	Ross,
Burt,	German,	Lumsden,	Russell,
Caldwell,	Gibson,	Malcolm,	Stratton,
Campbell,	Graham,	Mutrie,	Taylor—46.
Carpenter,	Guibord,		

PAIRS.

Richardson	....	....	Reid (Addington.)
Smith	....	....	Kribs.
Douglas	....	....	Morrison.
Garrow	....	....	Miscampbell.
Truax	....	....	Jamieson.

The Motion for the third reading, having been then again put, was carried on the following division :—

YEAS.

Messieurs :

Auld,	Charlton,	Harcourt,	Macnish,
Aylsworth,	Clarke,	Hardy,	McKay,
Barber,	Conmee,	Harty,	McKee,
Beatty (Parry Sound),	Davis,	Hill,	Pardee,
Bleizard,	Dickenson,	Hislop,	Pardo,
Bowman,	Dryden,	Holmes,	Pattullo,
Bridgland,	Farwell,	Leys,	Pettypiece,
Brown,	Ferguson,	Loughrin,	Ross,
Burt,	German	Lumsden,	Russell,
Caldwell,	Gibson,	Malcolm,	Stratton,
Campbell,	Graham,	Mutrie,	Taylor—46.
Carpenter,	Guibord,		

NAYS.

Messieurs :

Allen,	Dempsey,	Jessop,	McLaughlin,
Barr,	Duff,	Joyst,	Powell,
Beatty (Leeds),	Eilber,	Kidd,	Pyne,
Boyd,	Faillis.	Little,	Reid, (Durham),
Brower,	Foy,	Lucas,	Thomson,
Carnegie,	Fox,	Marter,	Tucker,
Carscallen,	Gallagher,	Matheson,	Wardell,
Colquhoun,	Hodgens,	Monteith,	White,
Crawford,	Hoyle,	McDonald,	Whitney—36.

PAIRS.

Richardson	.....	.....	Reid (Addington.)
Smith	.....	.....	Kribs.
Douglas	.....	.....	Morrison.
Garrow	.....	.....	Miscampbell.
Truax	.....	.....	Jamieson.

And the Bill was read the third time and passed.

The Order of the Day for the third reading of Bill (No. 164), Respecting Brewers' and Distillers' and other Licenses, having been read,

Mr. Harcourt moved,

That the Bill be now read the third time.

Mr. Whitney moved in amendment, seconded by Mr. Marter,

That all the words of the Motion after the word "That" be omitted, and the following substituted: "the Bill be not now read the third time, but be read a third time on this day six months."

And the Amendment, having been put, was lost on the following division :—

YEAS.

Messieurs :

Allen	Dempsey	Jessop	McLaughlin
Barr	Duff	Joynt	Powell
Beatty (Leeds)	Eilber	Kidd	Pyne
Boyd	Fallis	Little	Reid (Durham)
Brower	Foy	Lucas	Thomson
Carnegie	Fox	Marter	Tucker
Carscallen	Gallagher	Matheson	Wardell
Colquhoun	Hodgens	Monteith	White
Crawford	Hoyle	McDonald	Whitney—36.

NAYS.

Messieurs :

Auld	Charlton	Harcourt	Macnish
Aylsworth	Clarke	Hardy	McKay
Barber	Conmee	Harty	McKee
Beatty (Parry Sound)	Davis	Hill	Pardee
Bleizard	Dickenson	Hislop	Pardo
Bowman	Dryden	Holmes	Pattullo
Bridgland	Farwell	Leys	Pettypiece
Brown	Ferguson	Loughrin	Ross
Burt	German	Lumsden	Russell
Caldwell	Gibson	Malcolm	Stratton
Campbell	Graham	Mutrie	Taylor—46.
Carpenter	Guibord		

PAIRS.

Richardson	....	....	....	....	....	Reid (Addington.)
Smith	....	....	....	....	....	Kribs.
Douglas	....	....	....	....	....	Morrison.
Garrow	....	....	....	....	....	Miscampbell.
Truax	....	....	....	....	....	Jamieson.

The Motion for the third reading, having been then again put, was carried on the following division :—

YEAS.

Messieurs :

Auld	Charlton	Harcourt	Macnish
Aylsworth	Clarke	Hardy	McKay
Barber	Conmee	Harty	McKee
Beatty (Parry Sound)	Davis	Hill	Pardee
Bleizard	Dickenson	Hislop	Pardo
Bowman	Dryden	Holmes	Pattullo
Bridgland	Farwell	Leys	Pettypiece
Brown	Ferguson	Loughrin	Ross
Burt	German	Lumsden	Russell
Caldwell	Gibson	Malcolm	Stratton
Campbell	Graham	Mutrie	Taylor— 46.
Carpenter	Guibord		

NAYS.

Messieurs :

Allen	Dempsey	Jessop	McLaughlin
Bari	Duff	Joynt	Powell
Beatty (Leeds)	Eilber	Kidd	Pyne
Boyd	Fallis	Little	Reid (Durham)
Brower	Foy	Lucas	Thompson
Carnegie	Fox	Marter	Tucker
Carscallen	Gallagher	Matheson	Wardell
Colquhoun	Hodgens	Monteith	White
Crawford	Hoyle	McDonald	Whitney— 36.

PAIRS.

Richardson	....	....	....	....	....	Reid (Addington.)
Smith	....	....	....	....	....	Kribs.
Douglas	....	....	....	....	....	Morrison.
Garrow	....	....	....	....	....	Miscampbell.
Truax	....	....	....	....	....	Jamieson.

And the Bill was read the third time and passed.

The Attorney-General, from the Standing Committee on Municipal Law, presented their Fourth Report, which was read as follows and adopted :—

The Committee have carefully considered Bills No. 96, 100, 105, 108, 113, 125, 131, 151, 152, 155, 157, 159, 168, 172, 175, 191, 195, 200, 210 and 221, intituled "Acts to amend the Municipal Act" and so much thereof as the Committee have approved with amendments thereto has been embodied in a Bill intituled "The Municipal Amendment Act, 1899," which is submitted herewith.

The Committee have also carefully considered Bills Nos. 115, 150, 161, 183 and 189, intituled "Acts to amend the Assessment Act" and so much thereof as the Committee have approved with amendments thereto has been embodied in a Bill intituled "The Assessment Amendment Act, 1899," which is submitted herewith.

The Committee recommends the appointment of a Committee to examine into the questions raised by Bill (No. 112), intituled "An Act to amend the Assessment Act."

Mr. Gibson, from the Standing Committee on Legal Bills, presented their Third Report, which was read as follows and adopted :—

The Committee have carefully considered Bill (No. 248), To amend the Municipal Act, and have prepared certain amendments thereto.

The Order of the Day for the third reading of Bill (No. 222), To amend the Mines Act, having been read,

Ordered, That the Order be discharged, and that the Bill be forthwith referred back to a Committee of the Whole, with instructions to amend the same.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Graham reported, that the Committee had amended the Bill as directed.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time forthwith.

The Bill was then read the third time, and passed.

The following Bills were severally read the third time and passed :—

Bill (No. 83), Respecting the Town of Fort William.

Bill No. 43), To incorporate the Worthington and Onaping Railway Company.

Bill (No. 224), Respecting Succession Duties.

Bill (No. 239), To amend the Ontario Election Act.

Bill (No. 246), To amend the Ontario Controverted Elections Act.

Bill (No. 71), Respecting the City of Ottawa.

Bill (No. 86), Respecting the Town of Whitby.

Bill (No. 36), To incorporate the Algoma Central Railway Company.

Bill (No. 162), To incorporate the Ontario Historical Society.

Bill (No. 197), To amend the Ontario Tree Planting Act.

Bill (No. 208), To amend the Public Health Act.

Bill (No. 211), Respecting Cheese and Butter Exchanges.

Bill (No. 203), To amend the Electric Railway Act.

Bill (No. 130), Respecting Sureties.

The Order of the Day for the third reading of Bill (No. 180), Respecting the closing and sale of Disused Cemeteries owned by Municipalities having been read,

Ordered, That the Order be discharged and that the Bill be withdrawn.

The House resolved itself into a Committee, severally to consider the following Bills:—

Bill (No. 141), To confirm a certain By-law of the Town of Palmerston.

Bill (No. 251), To confer certain powers on the City of Kingston.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Stratton reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the several Bills without Amendments.

Ordered, That the Bills reported, be severally read the third time forthwith.

The Bills were then severally read the third time and passed.

The Order of the Day for the House again to resolve itself into the Committee of Supply, having been read,

Mr. Harcourt moved,

That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair.

Mr. Whitney moved in amendment, seconded by Mr. Marter,

That all the words of the Motion after the first word "That" be expunged and the following substituted, "this House strongly disapproves of the practice indulged in by Ministers of the Crown, of encouraging the Electors in Constituencies to believe that they will receive material favors and advantages from the Government provided they return supporters of the Government to this House."

And the Amendment, having been put was lost on the following division:—

YEAS.

Messieurs :

Allen	Dempsey	Jessop	McDonald
Barr	Duff	Joynt	McLaughlin
Beatty (Leeds)	Eilber	Kidd	Pyne
Boyd	Fallis	Little	Reid (Durham)
Brower	Foy	Lucas	Thomson
Carnegie	Fox	Marter	Tucker
Carscallen	Gallagher	Matheson	Wardell
Colquhoun	Hodgens	Miscampbell	White
Crawford	Hoyle	Monteith	Whitney—36.

NAYS.

Messieurs :

Auld	Charlton	Guibord	Macnish
Aylsworth	Clarke	Harcourt	McKay
Barber	Conmee	Hardy	McKee
Beatty (Parry Sound)	Davis	Harty	Pardee
Bleizard	Dickenson	Hill	Pardo
Bowman	Dryden	Hislop	Pattullo
Bridgland	Farwell	Holmes	Pettypiece
Brown	Ferguson	Leys	Ross
Burt	Garrow	Loughrin	Russell
Caldwell	German	Malcolm	Stratton
Campbell	Gibson	Mutrie	Taylor—46.
Carpenter	Graham		

PAIRS.

Richardson	.....	.....	Reid (Addington.)
Smith	.....	.....	Kribs
Douglas	...	.....	Morrison
Truax	.....	.....	Jamieson
Lumsden	...	.....	Powell

The Main Motion, having been then again put, was carried on the following division :—

YEAS.

Messieurs :

Auld	Charlton	Guibord	Macnish
Aylsworth	Clarke	Harcourt	McKay
Barber	Conmee	Hardy	McKee
Beatty (Parry Sound)	Davis	Harty	Pardee
Bleizard	Dickenson	Hill	Pardo
Bowman	Dryden	Hislop	Pattullo
Bridgland	Farwell	Holmes	Pettypiece
Brown	Ferguson	Leys	Ross
Burt	Garrow	Loughrin	Russell
Caldwell	German	Malcolm	Stratton
Campbell	Gibson	Mutrie	Taylor—46.
Carpenter	Graham		

NAYS.

Messieurs :

Allen	Dempsey	Jessop	McDonald
Barr	Duff	Joynt	McLaughlin
Beatty (Leeds)	Eilber	Kidd	Pyne
Boyd	Fallis	Little	Reid (Durham)
Brower	Foy	Lucas	Thomson
Carnegie	Fox	Marter	Tucker
Carscallen	Gallagher	Matheson	Wardell
Colquhoun	Hodgens	Miscampbell	White
Crawford	Hoyle	Monteith	Whitney—36

PAIRS.

Richardson	....	....	....	Reid (Addington.)
Smith	....	....	....	Kribs
Douglas	....	....	....	Morrison
Truax	....	....	....	Jamieson
Lumsden	....	....	....	Powell

And the House accordingly again resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(*In the Committee.*)

Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty, for the services of 1899, the following sums:—

94. To defray the expenses of Civil Government.....	\$ 322 50
95. To defray the expenses of Legislation.....	13,000 00
96. To defray the expenses of Administration of Justice.....	2,108 90
97. To defray the expenses of Constitutional Questions.....	3,292 58
98. To defray the expenses of Education	3,500 00
99. To defray the expenses of Public Institutions Maintenance.....	400 00
100. To defray the expenses of Agriculture.....	10,400 00
101. To defray the expenses of Hospitals and Charities	17,750 00
102. To defray the expenses of Repairs and Maintenance.....	11,255 00
103. To defray the expenses of Public Buildings.....	48,250 00
104. To defray the expenses of Public Works.....	16,450 00
105. To defray the expenses of Colonization Roads	16,750 00
106. To defray the expenses of Charges on Crown Lands	13,750 00
107. To defray the expenses of Miscellaneous.....	11,300 00
108. To defray the expenses of Legislation, Maintenance, and for salaries for the month of January, 1900.....	80,000 00

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Stratton reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions; also, That the Committee had directed him to ask for leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the Report be received forthwith.

Mr. Stratton, from the Committee of Supply, reported the following further Resolutions:—

94. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Three hundred and twenty-two dollars and fifty cents be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Civil Government for the year ending 31st December, 1899.

95. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Thirteen thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Legislation for the year ending 31st December, 1899.

96. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Three thousand two hundred and ninety-two dollars and fifty-three cents be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Administration of Justice for the year ending 31st December, 1899.

97. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Three thousand two hundred and ninety-two dollars and fifty-eight cents be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Constitutional Questions for the year ending 31st December, 1899.

98. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Three thousand five hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Education for the year ending 31st December, 1899.

99. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Four hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Institutions Maintenance for the year ending 31st December, 1899.

100. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Ten thousand four hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Agriculture for the year ending 31st December, 1899.

101. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Seventeen thousand seven hundred and fifty dollars be granted to her Majesty to defray the expenses of Hospitals and Charities for the year ending 31st December, 1899.

102. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One thousand two hundred and fifty-five dollars be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Repairs and Maintenance for the year ending 31st December, 1899.

103. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Forty-eight thousand two hundred and fifty dollars be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Buildings for the year ending 31st December, 1899.

104. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Sixteen thousand four hundred and fifty dollars be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works for the year ending 31st December, 1899.

105. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Sixteen thousand seven hundred and fifty dollars be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Colonization Roads for the year ending 31st December, 1899.

106. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Thirteen thousand seven hundred and fifty dollars be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Charges on Crown Lands for the year ending 31st December, 1899.

107. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Eleven thousand three hundred dollars be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Miscellaneous for the year ending 31st December, 1899.

108. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Eighty thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Institutions Maintenance and for Salaries of the officers of the Government and Civil Service for the month of January, 1900.

And the Resolutions having been again read,

Mr. Harcourt moved,

That the Resolutions be now concurred in.

Mr. Monteith moved in amendment, seconded by Mr. Joynt,

That the Resolutions be not now concurred in, but be forthwith re-committed to the Committee of Supply with instructions to reduce the one hundred and second Resolution, respecting Public Buildings, by \$32,000, being \$22,000 Normal School London, and \$10,000 Reformatory Oxford.

And the Amendment, having been put, was lost on the following division :—

YEAS.

Messieurs :

Allen	Dempsey,	Jessop,	McDonald,
Barr,	Duff,	Joynt,	McLaughlin,
Beatty (Leeds),	Eilber,	Kidd,	Payne,
Boyd,	Fallis,	Little,	Reid (Durham),
Brower,	Foy,	Lucas,	Thompson,
Carnegie,	Fox,	Marter,	Tucker,
Carscallen,	Gallagher	Matheson,	Wardell,
Colquhoun,	Hodgens,	Miscampbell	White,
Crawford,	Hoyle,	Monteith,	Whitney—36.

NAYS.

Messieurs :

Auld,	Charlton,	Guibord,	Macnish,
Aylsworth,	Clarke,	Harcourt,	McKay,
Barber,	Connmee,	Hardy,	McKee,
Beatty (Parry Sound),	Davis,	Harty,	Pardee,
Bleazard,	Dickenson,	Hill,	Pardo,
Bowman,	Dryden,	Hislop,	Pattullo,
Bridgland,	Farwell,	Holmes,	Pettypiece,
Brown,	Ferguson,	Leys,	Ross,
Burt,	Garrow,	Loughrin,	Russell,
Caldwell,	German,	Malcolm,	Stratton,
Campbell,	Gibson,	Mutrie,	Taylor—46.
Carpenter,	Graham,		

PAIRS.

Richardson	....	....	Reid (Addington.)
Smith	....	....	Kribs.
Douglas	....	....	Morrison.
Truax	....	....	Jamieson.
Lumsden	....	....	Powell.

The Resolutions, having been then again put, were carried *en bloc* upon the following division :—

YEAS.

Messieurs :

Auld,	Charlton	Gaibord	Macnish
Aylsworth	Clarke	Harcourt	McKay
Barber	Commeé	Hardy	McKee
Beatty (Parry Sound)	Davis	Harty	Pardee
Bleizard	Dickenson	Hill	Pardo
Bowman	Dryden	Hislop	Pattullo
Bridgland	Farwell	Holmes	Pettypiece
Brown	Ferguson	Leys	Ross
Burt	Garrow	Loughrin	Russell
Caldwell	German	Malcolm	Stratton
Campbell	Gibson	Mutrie	Taylor—46.
Carpenter	Graham		

NAYS.

Messieurs :

Allen	Dempsey	Jessop	McDonald
Barr	Duff	Joyst	McLaughlin
Beatty (Leeds)	Eilber	Kidd	Pyne
Boyd	Fallis	Little	Reid (Durham)
Brower	Foy	Lucas	Thomson
Carnegie	Fox	Marter	Tucker
Carscallen	Gallagher	Matheson	Wardell
Colquhoune	Hodgens	Miscampbell	White
Crawford	Hoyle	Monteith	Whitney—36

PAIRS.

Richardson	....	....	Reid (Addington).
Smith	....	....	Kribs.
Douglas	....	....	Morrison.
Truax	....	....	Jamieson.
Lumsden	....	....	Powell.

The several Resolutions were then concurred in.

The House, according to the Order, then resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means.

(*In the Committee*).

Resolved, That there be granted out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of this Province a sum not exceeding Three millions six hundred and forty-six thousand one hundred and fifty dollars and sixty-six cents (\$3,646,150.66), to meet the Supply to that extent granted to Her Majesty.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; and Mr. Stratton reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be received forthwith.

Mr. Stratton, from the Committee on Ways and Means, reported a Resolution, which was read as follows :—

Resolved, That there be granted out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of this Province a sum not exceeding Three millions six hundred and forty-six thousand one hundred and fifty dollars and sixty six cents (\$3,646,150.66), to meet the Supply to that extent granted to Her Majesty.

The Resolution, having been read a second time was agreed to.

The following Bill was then introduced and read the first time :—

Bill (No. 257), intituled, " An Act for granting to Her Majesty certain sums of money to defray the expenses of Civil Government for the year one thousand eight hundred and ninety-nine, and for other purposes therein mentioned." —Mr. Harcourt.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the second time.

The Bill was then read the second time.

Ordered, That the bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was then read the third time, and passed.

Mr. Davis presented to the House by command of His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor :—

Copy of a Report of the Attorney-General with reference to the indebtedness of the Townships of Dunwich and Aldborough for construction of certain drainage works. (*Sessional Papers No. 81.*)

And the House, having continued to sit until Twelve of the clock, Midnight.

FRIDAY, 31st March, 1899.

The following Bill was introduced and read the first time :—

Bill (No 255), intituled " The Municipal Amendment Act, 1899." The Attorney-General.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time forthwith.

The Bill was then read the second time and referred to a Committee of the Whole House forthwith.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; and Mr. Stratton reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill, with certain amendments.

Ordered, That the Amendments be taken into consideration forthwith.

The Amendments, having been read the second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time forthwith.

The Bill was then read the third time, and passed.

The following Bill was introduced and read the first time :—

Bill (No. 256), intituled "The Assessment Amendment Act, 1899." The Attorney-General.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time forthwith.

The Bill was then read the second time and referred to a Committee of the Whole House forthwith.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; and Mr. Stratton reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill, with certain amendments.

Ordered, That the Amendments be taken into consideration forthwith.

The Amendments, having been read the second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time forthwith.

The Bill was then read the third time, and passed.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 215), Respecting the law of Insurance and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; and Mr. Stratton reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill without any ment,

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time forthwith.

The Bill was then read a third time, and passed.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 252). To amend The Loan Corporations Act and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; and Mr. Stratton reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill without any amendment,

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time forthwith.

The Bill was then read a third time and passed.

The Order of the Day for the third reading of Bill (No. 228), To amend the Statute Law having been read,

Ordered, That the Order be discharged, and that the Bill be forthwith referred to a Committee of the Whole, with instructions to amend the same.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee ; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; and Mr. Stratton reported, That the Committee had amended the Bill as directed.

The Attorney-General then moved,

That the Bill be now read the third time.

Mr. Whitney moved in amendment, seconded by Mr. Marter.

That all the words of the Motion, after the word "That" be omitted, and the following substituted : "the Bill be not now read the third time but be forthwith recommitted to a Committee of the Whole House with instructions to amend the same by Striking out Sections Thirty-five and Thirty-six of the Bill which relate to the Canadian Niagara Power Company.

And the Amendment, having been put, was lost on the following division :—

YEAS.

Messieurs :

Allen	Duff	Kidd	Pyne
Barr	Eilber	Little	Reid (Durham)
Beatty (Leeds)	Fallis	Lucas	Thompson
Boyd	Foy	Marter	Tucker
Brower	Fox	Matheson	Wardell
Carnegie	Gallagher	Miscampbell	White
Carscallen	Hodgens	Monteith	Whitney—37
Colquhoun	Hoyle	Morrison	
Crawford	Jessop	McDonald	
Dempsey	Joyst	McLaughlin	

NAYS.

Messieurs :

Auld	Charlton	Graham	Macnish
Aylsworth	Clarke	Guibord	McKay
Barber	Conmee	Harcourt	McKee
Beatty (Parry Sound)	Davis	Hardy	Pardee
Bleazard	Dickenson	Harty	Pardo
Bowman	Douglas	Hill	Pattullo
Bridgland	Dryden	Hislop	Pettypiece
Brown	Farwell	Holmes	Ross
Burt	Ferguson	Leys	Russell
Caldwell	Garrow	Loughrin	Stratton
Campbell	German	Malcolm	Taylor—47
Carpenter	Gibson	Mutrie	

PAIRS.

Richardson	....	....	....	....	Reid (Addington.)
Smith	....	....	....	....	Kribs.
Truax	....	....	....	....	Jamieson.
Lumsden	....	....	....	....	Powell.

The Motion for the third reading having been then again put, was carried on the following divisions :

YEAS.

Messieurs :

Auld	Charlton	Graham	Macnish
Aylsworth	Clarke	Guibord	McKay
Barber	Conmee	Harcourt	McKee
Beatty (Parry Sound)	Davis	Hardy	Pardee
Bleizard	Dickenson	Harty	Pardo
Bowman	Douglas	Hill	Pattullo
Bridgland	Dryden	Hislop	Pettypiece
Brown	Farwell	Holmes	Ross
Burt	Ferguson	Leys	Russell
Caldwell	Garrow	Loughrin	Stratton
Campbell	German	Malcolm	Taylor—47
Carpenter	Gibson	Mutrie	

NAYS.

Messieurs :

Allen	Duff	Kidd	Pyne
Barr	Eilber	Little	Reid (Durham)
Beatty (Leeds)	Fallis	Lucas	Thompson
Boyd	Foy	Marter	Tucker
Brower	Fox	Matheson	Wardell
Carnegie	Gallagher	Miscambell	White
Carscallen	Hodgens	Monteith	Witney—37
Colquhoun	Hoyle	Morrison	
Crawford	Jessop	McDonald	
Dempsey	Joynt	McLaughlin	

PAIRS.

Richardson	....	....	....	Reid (Addington.)
Smith	....	....	....	Kribs.
Truax	....	....	....	Jamieson.
Lumsden	....	....	....	Powell.

And the Bill was read the third time and passed.

On Motion of Mr. Ross, seconded by Mr. Gibson,

Resolved, that the House do forthwith resolve itself into a Committee to consider certain proposed Resolutions respecting Railway Aid.

The Attorney-General acquainted the House that His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, having been informed of the subject matter of the proposed Resolutions, recommends them to the consideration of the House.

The House then resolved itself into the Committee.

(*In the Committee.*)

Resolved, That there be granted out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund, for the construction of portions of railways hereinafter mentioned, the sums following, that is to say :

1. To the Ontario, Hudson's Bay and Western Railway, between Missinabie Station on the Canadian Pacific Railway and tide water on the mouth of Moose River on James' Bay, a distance not exceeding two hundred and forty miles, a cash subsidy of \$2,000 a mile—\$480,000.

2. To the James' Bay Railway, from a point at or near Sudbury to a point at or near Lake Abitibi, a distance not exceeding one hundred and seventy-five miles, a cash subsidy of \$2,000 a mile—\$350,000.

3. To the Haliburton, Whitney and Mattawa Railway, between Haliburton and Whitney, a distance not exceeding forty-eight miles, a cash subsidy of \$3,000 a mile—\$144,000, but that such grant shall be subject to the condition that the line of the said the Haliburton, Whitney and Mattawa Railway shall not approach nearer to the Algonquin National Park than is set forth in or allowed by the Charter of the said Company.

4. To the Ontario and Rainy River Railway, from its Junction with the Port Arthur, Duluth & Western Railway to Fort Francis, a distance not exceeding two hundred and five miles, a cash subsidy of \$1,000 a mile, and from Fort Francis to the mouth of Rainy River, a distance not exceeding seventy-five miles, a cash subsidy of \$4,000—\$505,000.

5. To the Central Ontario Railway from Ormsby or Coe Hill to a point at or near Bancroft, a distance not exceeding twenty-one miles, a cash subsidy of \$3,000 a mile—\$63,000.

6. To the Central Counties Railway from Glen Robertson to Vankleek Hill, a distance not exceeding fourteen miles, a cash subsidy of \$2,000 a mile—\$28,000.

7. To the Ontario, Belmont and Northern Railway, from the northern terminus thereof in the direction of the townships of Belmont and Lake, a distance not exceeding seven miles, at the rate of \$3,200 a mile—\$22,400.

Resolved, that there be set apart for the use of the Sault Ste. Marie and Hudson's Bay Railway and the James' Bay Railway out of the lands of the Crown through which they may pass 5,000 acres to the mile of each of the said railways for the portions above mentioned, such areas to be selected in blocks of 5,000 acres on each side of the line alternately by taking the necessary number of lots as the townships are surveyed or outlined, or by taking the proportionate grant for each ten miles of railway (or 50,000 acres) in blocks on alternate sides of the line, such blocks to have a frontage on the line of ten miles each, or in such other way as may be agreed upon by the said Company and the Lieutenant-Governor-in-Council.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. Stratton reported, that the Committee had come to certain Resolutions.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Mr. Stratton reported the Resolutions as follows :—

Resolved, That there be granted out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund, for the construction of portions of Railways hereinafter mentioned, the sums following, that is to say :—

1. To the Ontario, Hudson's Bay and Western Railway, between Missinabie Station on the Canadian Pacific Railway and tide water on the mouth of Moose River on James' Bay, a distance not exceeding two hundred and forty miles, a cash subsidy of \$2,000 a mile—\$480,000.

2. To the James' Bay Railway, from a point at or near Sudbury to a point at or near Lake Abitibi, a distance not exceeding one hundred and seventy-five miles, a cash subsidy of \$2,000 a mile—\$350,000.

3. To the Haliburton, Whitney and Mattawa Railway, between Haliburton and Whitney, a distance not exceeding forty-eight miles, a cash subsidy of \$3,000 a mile—\$144,000, but that such grant shall be subject to the condition that the line of the said the Haliburton, Whitney and Mattawa Railway shall not approach nearer to the Algonguin National Park than is set forth in or allowed by the Charter of the said Company.

4. To the Ontario and Rainy River Railway, from its Junction with the Port Arthur, Duluth and Western Railway to Fort Francis, a distance not exceeding two hundred and five miles, a cash subsidy of \$1,000 a mile, and from Fort Francis to the mouth of Rainy River, a distance not exceeding seventy-five miles, a cash subsidy of \$4,000—\$505,000.

5. To the Central Ontario Railway, from Ormsby or Coe Hill to a point at or near Bancroft, a distance not exceeding twenty-one miles, a cash subsidy of \$3,000 a mile—\$63,000

6. To the Central Counties Railway, from Glen Robertson to Vankleek Hill, a distance not exceeding fourteen miles, a cash subsidy of \$2,000 a mile—\$28,000.

7. To the Ontario, Belmont and Northern Railway, from the northern terminus thereof in the direction of the townships of Belmont and Lake, a distance not exceeding seven miles, at the rate of \$3,200 a mile—\$22,400.

Resolved, that there be set apart for the use of the Sault Ste. Marie and Hudson's Bay Railway and the James' Bay Railway out of the lands of the Crown through which they may pass 5,000 acres to the mile of each of the said railways for the portions above mentioned, such areas to be selected in blocks of 5,000 acres on each side of the line alternately by taking the necessary number of lots as the townships are surveyed or outlined, or by taking the proportionate grant for each ten miles of railway (or 50,000 acres) in blocks on alternate sides of the line, such blocks to have a frontage on the line of ten miles each, or in such other way as may be agreed upon by the said Company and the Lieutenant-Governor in Council.

The Resolutions having been read the second time, were agreed to, and referred to the Committee of the Whole House on Bill (No. 253), Respecting Aid to certain Railways.

The following Bill was then read the second time :—

Bill (No. 253), Respecting Aid to certain Railways.

Referred to a Committee of the whole House forthwith.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; and Mr. Stratton reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill, with certain amendments.

Ordered, That the Amendments be taken into consideration forthwith.

The Amendments, having been read the second time, were agreed to.

Mr. Ross then moved,

That the Bill be now read the third time.

Mr. Whitney moved in amendment, seconded by Mr. Marter, That all the words of the Motion, after the word "That" be omitted, and the following substituted : "The Bill be not now read the third time, but be forthwith recommitted to a Committee of the Whole House with instructions to amend the same by striking out subsection One of Section One thereof, providing for a grant to the Ontario, Hudson's Bay & Western Railway.

And the Amendment, having been put, was lost on the following division :

YEAS.

Messieurs :

Allen	Crawford	Jessop	Morrison
Barr	Dempsey	Joynt	McDonald
Beatty (Leeds)	Duff	Kidd	McLaughlin
Boyd	Eilber	Little	Pyne
Brower	Fallis	Lucas	Reid (Durham)
Caldwell	Fox	Marter	Thompson
Carnegie	Gallagher	Matheson	Wardell
Carscallen	Hodgens	Miscampbell	White
Colquhoun	Hoyle	Monteith	Whitney—36.

NAYS.

Messieurs :

Auld	Conmee	Hardy	Pardee
Aylsworth	Davis	Harty	Pardo
Barber	Dickenson	Hill	Pattullo
Beatty (Parry Sound)	Douglas	Hislop	Pettypiece
Blezard	Dryden	Holmes	Ross
Bowman	Farwell	Leys	Russell
Bridgland	Ferguson	Loughrin	Stratton
Brown	Garrow	Malcolm	Taylor
Burt	German	Mutrie	Tucker—45.
Campbell	Gibson	Ma·nish	
Carpenter	Graham	McKay	
Charlton	Guibord	McKee	

PAIRS.

Richardson	....	....	....	Reid (Addington.)
Smith	....	....	....	Kribs.
Truax	....	....	....	Jamieson.
Lumsden	....	....	....	Powell.
Harcourt	....	....	....	Foy.

The Motion for the third reading having been then again put,

Mr. Whitney moved in amendment, seconded by Mr. Matheson,

That all the words of the Motion, after the word "That" be omitted, and the following substituted : "the Bill be not now read the third time but be forthwith recommitted to a Committee of the Whole House with instructions to amend the same by striking out subsection two of section one providing for a grant to the James' Bay Railway."

And the Amendment, having been put, was lost on the following division :

YEAS.

Messieurs :

Allen	Dempsey	Joynt	McLaughlin
Barr	Duff	Kidd	Reid (Durham)
Beatty (Leeds)	Eilber	Little	Thompson
Boyd	Fallis	Lucas	Wardell
Brower	Fox	Matheson	White
Caldwell	Gallagher	Miscampbell	Whitney—33.
Carnegie	Hodgens	Monteith	
Carscallen	Hoyle	Morrison	
Colquhoun	Jessop	McDonald	

NAYS.

Messieurs :

Auld	Crawford	Hardy	Pardee
Aylsworth	Davis	Harty	Pardo
Barber	Dickenson	Hill	Pattullo
Beatty (Parry Sound)	Douglas	Hislop	Pettypiece
Bleizard	Dryden	Holmes	Pyne
Bowman	Farewell	Leys	Ross
Bridgland	Ferguson	Loughrin	Russell
Brown	Foy	Malcolm	Stratton
Burt	Garrow	Marter	Taylor
Campbell	German	Mutrie	Tucker—49.
Carpenter	Gibson	Macnish	
Charlton	Graham	McKay	
Conmee	Guibord	McKee	

PAIRS.

Richardson	....	....	....	Reid (Addington.)
Smith	....	....	....	Kribbs.
Truax	....	....	....	Jamieson.
Lumsden	....	....	....	Powell.

The Motion for the third reading of the Bill having been then again put.

Mr. Whitney moved in amendment, seconded by Mr. Marter,

That all the words of the Motion after the word "That" be omitted, and the following substituted : "the Bill be not now read the third time but be forthwith referred back to a Committee of the Whole House with instructions to amend the same by striking out sub section four thereof and to substitute therefor the following. (4) To the Ontario and Rainy River Railway from Fort Francis to the mouth of Rainy River, a distance not exceeding seventy-five miles, a cash subsidy of \$3,000 a mile—\$225,000."

And the Amendment, having been put, was lost on the following division :

YEAS.

Messieurs :

Allen	Duff	Kidd	McLaughlin
Barr	Eilber	Little	Pyne
Beatty (Leeds)	Fallis	Lucas	Reid (Durham)
Boyd	Fox	Marter	Thompson
Brower	Gallagher	Matheson	Tucker
Carnegie	Hodgens	Miscampbell	Wardell
Colquhoun	Hoyle	Monteith	White
Crawford	Jessop	Morrison	Whitney—35.
Dempsey	Joynt	McDonald	

NAYS.

Messieurs :

Auld	Carscallen	Graham	McKay
Aylsworth	Charlton	Guibord	McKee
Barber	Connee	Hardy	Pardee
Beatty (Parry Sound)	Davis	Harty	Pardo
Bleizard	Dickenson	Hill	Pattullo
Bowman	Douglas	Hislop	Pettypiece
Bridgland	Dryden	Holmes	Ross
Brown	Farwell	Leys	Russell
Burt	Ferguson	Loughrin	Stratton
Caldwell	Garrow	Malcolm	Taylor—46.
Campbell	German	Mutrie	
Carpenter	Gibson	Macnish	

PAIRS.

Richardson ....	....	....	Reid (Addington.)
Smith ....	....	....	Kribs.
Truax ....	....	....	Jamieson.
Lumsden ..	....	....	Powell.
Harcourt ....	....	....	Foy.

The motion for the third reading of the Bill having been then put,

Mr. Whitney moved in amendment, seconded by Mr. Marter, That all the words of the Motion, after the word "That" be omitted, and the following substituted : "the Bill be not now read the third time but be forthwith recommitted to a Committee of the Whole House with instructions to amend the same by striking out section three thereof."

And the Amendment having been put, was lost on the following division :

YEAS.

Messieurs :

Allen	Dempsey	Joynt	McDonald
Barr	Duff	Kidd	McLaughlin
Beatty (Leeds)	Eilber	Little	Reid (Durham)
Boyd	Fallis	Lucas	Thompson
Brower	Fox	Marter	Tucker
Carnegie	Gallagher	Matheson	Wardell
Carscallen	Hodgens	Miscampbell	White
Colquhoun	Hoyle	Monteith	Whitney—35.
Crawford	Jessop	Morrison	

NAYS.

Messieurs :

Auld	Charlton	Guibord	McKee
Aylsworth	Conmee	Hardy	Pardee
Barber	Davis	Harty	Pardo
Beatty (Parry Sound)	Dickenson	Hill	Pattullo
Bleazard	Douglas	Hislop	Pettypiece
Bowman	Dryden	Holmes	Ross
Bridgland	Farwell	Leys	Russell
Brown	Ferguson	Loughrin	Stratton
Burt	Garrow	Malcolm	Taylor—45.
Caldwell	German	Mutrie	
Campbell	Gibson	Macnish	
Carpenter	Graham	McKay	

PAIRS.

Richardson	....	....	....	....	....	Reid (Addington.)
Smith	....	....	....	....	....	Kribs.
Truax	..	....	....	....	....	Jamieson.
Lumsden	....	....	....	....	....	Powell.
Harcourt	....	....	....	....	....	Foy.

The motion for the third reading having been then again put, was carried on the following division :

YEAS.

Messieurs :

Auld	Conmee	Hardy	Pardee
Aylsworth	Davis	Harty	Pardo
Barber	Dickenson	Hill	Pattullo
Beatty (Parry Sound)	Douglas	Hislop	Pettipiece
Bleizard	Dryden	Holmes	Pyne
Bowman	Farwell	Leys	Ross
Bridgland	Ferguson	Loughrin	Russell
Brown	Garrow	Malcolm	Stratton
Burt	German	Mutrie	Taylor—45.
Campbell	Gibson	Macnish	
Carpenter	Graham	McKay	
Charlton	Guibord	McKee	

NAYS.

Messieurs :

Allen	Duff	Little	Tucker—13.
Boyd	Eilber	Miscampbell	
Brower	Hodgens	Morrison	
Carscallen	Hoyle	McLaughlin	

PAIRS.

Richardson . . . . .	....	....	Reid (Addington.)
Smith . . . . .	....	....	Kribs.
Truax . . . . .	....	....	Jamieson.
Lumsden . . . . .	....	....	Powell.
Harcourt . . . . .	....	....	Foy.

The Bill was then read the third time and passed.

The Attorney-General from the Standing Committee on Municipal Law, presented their Third Report, which was read as follows and adopted :

The Committee have carefully considered Bills Nos. 123 and 153, intituled "Acts to amend the Voters' Lists Act," and have made certain amendments thereto and report the same as Bill No. 153.

The Committee have further considered Bill (No. 196), intituled "An Act to amend the Ditches and Watercourses Act," and Bills Nos. 188, 219 and 227, intituled Acts to amend The Municipal Drainage Act," and so much thereof as the Committee have approved with amendments, and report the same as Bill (No. 196), intituled "The Drainage Law Amendment Act, 1899."

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 153). To amend The Voters' List Act and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; and Mr. Stratton reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill without any amendment,

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time forthwith.

The Bill was then read the third time, and passed.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 196). The Drainage Law Amendment Act, 1899 and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; and Mr. Stratton reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill with certain amendments.

Ordered, That the Amendments be taken into consideration forthwith.

The Amendments, having been read the second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time forthwith.

The Bill was read the third time, and passed.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 205). To amend The Ontario Game Protection Act, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; and Mr. Stratton reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill with certain amendments.

Ordered, That the Amendments be taken into consideration forthwith.

The Amendments, having been read the second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time forthwith.

The Bill was read the third time, and passed.

The Order of the Day for the third reading of Bill (No. 250), The Assessment Amendment Act having been read,

Ordered, That the Order be discharged, and that the Bill be withdrawn.

The Order of the Day for the House to resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole on Bill (No. 177), To Amend the Municipal Act, having been read,

Ordered, That the Order be discharged, and that the Bill be withdrawn.

The Order of the Day for the House again to resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole on Bill (No. 249), The Municipal Amendment Act, having been read,

Ordered, That the Order be discharged, and that the Bill be withdrawn.

The Order of the Day for the House to resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole on Bill (No. 247), To amend the Act for the incorporation and regulation of Mining Companies having been read,

Ordered, That the Order be discharged, and that the Bill be withdrawn.

The Order of the Day for the Second Reading of Bill (No. 156), To amend The Election Act, having been read,

Mr. Whitney moved,

That the Bill be now read the second time.

And the Motion having been put, was lost on a division.

And so it was declared in the negative.

On motion of Mr. Pattullo, seconded by Mr. German,

Ordered, That there be laid before this House a Return giving information under the following heads, respecting bonuses and exemptions to manufacturing industries granted by each municipality in the Province since the year 1870:—1. Amount of aid by way of absolute bonus and the names of firms or companies receiving same. 2. Amount of aid by way of loan, with names of firms or companies receiving same and the amount of such loan or loans repaid to each municipality. 3. Number of factories which have been granted exemptions from taxation in whole or in part, and approximately the amount of such exemption based on municipal assessors estimate of the rateable property of each industry. 4. Number of firms or companies which have received municipal aid in any form, more than once. 5. Number of such firms or companies which have failed or removed from the municipalities which gave them aid by way of bonus, loan or exemption.

On motion of Mr. Joynt, seconded by Mr. Jessop,

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of copies of all correspondence between any member of the Government and any person or persons with reference to an investigation held by Mr. Stewart respecting the License Commission of Grenville and Thomas B. Raycroft, and a detailed account of all expenses and disbursements made, or accounts rendered by counsel or others, in connection therewith.

On motion of Mr. Gibson, seconded by Mr. Dryden,

Ordered, That the Accountant of this House do pay the full sessional indemnity to Messieurs Richardson, Reid (Durham), Reid (Addington), and Hodgins, notwithstanding absence on account of illness part of the Session, and to Mr. Monteith the full sessional indemnity, less the usual deduction for each day's absence.

On motion of the Attorney-General, seconded by Mr. Ross,

Ordered, That when this House adjourns To-day, it do stand adjourned until three of the Clock on Saturday next, the first day of April.

The House then adjourned at 7.10 a.m.

Saturday, 1st April, 1899.

3 O'CLOCK, P.M.

PRAYERS.

The following Bill was introduced and read the first time :—

Bill (No. 258) intituled “An Act respecting the Ontario and Rainy River Railway.”
—The Attorney General.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time forthwith.

The Bill was then read the second time and referred forthwith to a Committee of the Whole House.

On motion of the Attorney-General, seconded by Mr. Ross,

Resolved, That this House do forthwith resolve itself into a Committee to consider a certain proposed Resolution respecting the Ontario and Rainy River Railway.

The Attorney-General acquainted the House that His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, having been informed of the subject matter of the proposed Resolution, recommends it to the consideration of the House.

The House then resolved itself into the Committee.

• • • (In the Committee.)

Resolved, That the grant of \$3,000 a mile, for thirty-five miles, made to the Ontario and Rainy River Railway, by the Act passed in the fifty-seventh year of Her Majesty's reign and chaptered 49, be transferred to that portion of the said railway extending from its junction with the Port Arthur, Duluth and Western Railway for a distance of thirty-five miles in a westerly direction.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. Charlton reported, that the Committee had come to a certain Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Mr. Charlton reported the Resolution as follows :—

Resolved, That the grant of \$3,000 a mile, for thirty-five miles, made to the Ontario and Rainy River Railway, by Act passed in the fifty-seventh year of Her Majesty's reign and chaptered 49, be transferred to that portion of the said railway extending from its junction with the Port Arthur, Duluth and Western Railway, for a distance of thirty-five miles in a westerly direction.

The Resolution having been read the second time, was agreed to, and referred to a Committee of the Whole House on Bill (No. 258), Respecting the Ontario and Rainy River Railway.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 258), Respecting the Ontario and Rainy River Railway, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair; and Mr. Charlton reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time forthwith.

The Bill was read the third time, and passed.

3.15 o'clock P.M.

His Honour the Honourable SIR OLIVER MOWAT, K.C.M.G., Member of our Privy Council of Canada, etc., etc., the Lieutenant-Governor proceeded in State to the Chamber of the Legislative Assembly and took his seat on the Throne.

The Clerk Assistant then read the titles of the Bills that had passed, severally as follows:—

2. An Act respecting the Boundary between the Provinces of Ontario and Manitoba.
3. An Act to amend The Ontario Voters' Lists Act.
4. An Act respecting Voters' Lists in Unorganized Territory.
5. An Act to amend The Ontario Election Act.
6. An Act to amend The Controverted Elections Act.
7. An Act respecting Executions and Sheriffs.
8. An Act to Supplement the Revelues of the Crown in the Province of Ontario.
9. An Act respecting Succession Duties.
10. An Act to amend The Mines Act.
11. An Act to amend The Statute Law.
12. An Act respecting Sureties.
13. An Act respecting The Action for Seduction.
14. An Act to erect Manitoulin into a Provisional Judicial District.
15. An Act to amend the Law respecting the Liability of Trustees.
16. An Act to amend The Registry Act.
17. An Act to amend the Act respecting Wages.
18. An Act to amend the Law with respect to Compensation of Workmen.
19. An Act to amend the Act respecting Cheese and Butter Manufacturing Associations and Companies.
20. An Act respecting Cheese and Butter Exchanges.
21. An Act to amend The Ontario Insurance Act.
22. An Act to amend The Loan Corporations Act.
23. An Act respecting Aid to certain Railways.
24. An Act respecting the Ontario and Rainy River Railway.
25. An Act to amend the Electric Railway Act.

26. The Municipal Amendment Act, 1899.
27. The Assessment-Amendment Act, 1899
28. The Drainage Amendment Act, 1899.
29. An Act to amend The Public Libraries Act.
30. An Act to amend The Ontario Tree Planting Act.
31. An Act respecting Brewers' and Distillers' and other Licenses.
32. An Act to amend The Public Health Act.
33. An Act to amend The Ontario Game Protection Act.
34. An Act to improve the Law relating to the Fisheries of the Province.
35. An Act to further improve The San Jose Scale Act.
36. An Act to improve the Laws respecting Public Schools.
37. An Act to amend The Separate Schools Act.
38. An Act to amend The Prison and Asylum Inspection Act.
39. An Act respecting the Debenture Indebtedness of the Village of Blyth.
40. An Act to consolidate the floating debt of the Town of Brampton.
41. An Act respecting the floating debt of the Town of Brockville.
42. An Act respecting certain By-laws concerning drainage in the Townships of Caledonia, Alfred and South Plantagenet.
43. An Act respecting the Town of Cobourg.
44. An Act to consolidate the debt of the Town of Collingwood.
45. An Act concerning a certain By-law and agreement of the Municipal Corporation of the Town of Cornwall.
46. An Act respecting By-law No. 462 of the Town of Dundas.
47. An Act respecting the Village of Exeter.
48. An Act respecting the Town of Fort William.
49. An Act to authorize the Town of Goderich to borrow \$25,000.
50. An Act respecting the Town of Goderich and the Goderich Elevator and Transit Company (Limited).
51. An Act respecting the Town of Kincardine.
52. An Act to confer certain powers on the City of Kingston.
53. An Act respecting the City of Kingston and the Dominion Cotton Mills Company.
54. An Act to consolidate the debt of the Town of Leamington.
55. An Act respecting the Town of Lindsay.
56. An Act respecting the City of London.
57. An Act respecting the Township of Madoc.
58. An Act respecting the debt of the Village of Madoc.
59. An Act to consolidate the debt of the Town of Mattawa.
60. An Act respecting the Village of Merrickville.
61. An Act respecting the Corporation of the Town of Midland.
62. An Act to confirm By-law 231 of the Town of Newmarket.
63. An Act respecting the Town of Niagara Falls.
64. An Act respecting the Town of Orillia.
65. An Act respecting the Town of Oshawa.
66. An Act respecting the City of Ottawa.

67 An Act respecting By-law 1,797 of the City of Ottawa and to authorize the Corporation of the City of Ottawa to raise a further sum upon the security of Lansdowne Park.

68. An Act respecting the Town of Owen Sound.
69. An Act to confirm By-law No. 228 of the Town of Palmerston.
70. An Act to confirm the agreement between the Town of Perth and the Perth Water Works Company (Limited) and for other purposes.
71. An Act respecting the Town of Peterborough.
72. An Act respecting the Town of Petrolea.
73. An Act respecting the Town of Port Arthur.
74. An Act to confirm By-law No. 467 of the Town of Prescott.
75. An Act respecting the debenture debt of the Town of Sarnia.
76. An Act to legalize and confirm By-laws 488 and 489 of the Town of Sarnia.
77. An Act respecting the Town of Sault Ste. Marie, the Lake Superior Power Company, the Sault Ste. Marie Pulp and Paper Company, the Fagonia Water and Light Company and others.
78. An Act respecting the Town of Seaforth.
79. An Act to consolidate certain debts of the Town of Simcoe.
80. An Act respecting the Town of Smith's Falls.
81. An Act respecting By-law No. 304 of the Village of Southampton.
82. An Act to confirm By-law No. 779 of the City of Stratford.
83. An Act to incorporate the Village of Sturgeon Point.
84. An Act to confirm By-law No. 152 of the Village of Tara.
85. An Act respecting the City of Toronto.
86. An Act respecting the Toronto Chain Ferry.
87. An Act respecting By-law No. 109 of the Town of Welland.
88. An Act respecting the Town of Whitby.
89. An Act respecting the Village of Winchester.
90. An Act to confirm By-law No. 740 of the County of York.
91. An Act respecting the Township of York.
92. An Act to incorporate the Algoma Central Railway Company.
93. An Act to incorporate the Bruce Mines and Algoma Railway Company.
94. An Act to incorporate the Haliburton, Whitney and Mattawa Railway Company.
95. An Act to incorporate the Hamilton and Caledonia Railway Company.
96. An Act respecting the Hamilton, Chedoke and Ancaster Electric Street Railway Company (Limited).
97. An Act respecting the London Street Railway Company.
98. An Act to incorporate the Nepigon Railway Company.
99. An Act to incorporate The Nickel Range Railway Company.
100. An Act to incorporate the North Lanark Railway Company.
101. An Act relating to the Sault Ste. Marie and Hudson's Bay Railway Company.
102. An Act to amend the Act incorporating the Smith's Falls, Rideau and Southern Railway Company.
103. An Act to incorporate The Thessalon and Grand Portage Railway Company.

104. An Act to incorporate the Thunder Bay, Nipigon and St. Joe Railway Company.
 105. An Act to incorporate the Toronto, Lindsay and Pembroke Railway Company.
 106. An Act to incorporate The Worthington and Onaping Railway Company.
 107. An Act respecting the Brantford Gas Company.
 108. An Act to incorporate The Ontario Historical Society.
 109. An Act to amalgamate The Toronto General Trusts Company and the Trusts Corporation of Ontario.
 110. An Act to incorporate The Toronto Hotel Company.
 111. An Act respecting the Incorporated Synod of the Diocese of Toronto.
 112. An Act respecting the Church of the Holy Trinity, Toronto.
 113. An Act respecting Knox Church, Toronto.
 114. An Act respecting The Hamilton Young Women's Christian Association and Technical Institute.
 115. An Act respecting the London Young Men's Christian Association.
 116. An Act respecting the Trustees of the Osgoode Burial Ground.
 117. An Act respecting St. Luke's Hospital.
 118. An Act to incorporate the Western Hospital of Toronto.
 119. An Act to authorize the Law Society of Upper Canada to admit George Macgregor Gardner to practise as a Solicitor.
 120. An Act to amend the Act to enable Edward Spencer Jenison to develop and improve a Water Privilege on the Kaministiquia River and extend the provisions thereof.
 121. An Act respecting the Trusts under the Marriage Settlement of Mildred Raymond and John Raymond.
 122. An Act to authorize Jacob Zielinski to practise the Eclectic System of Medicine in the Province of Ontario.

To these Bills the Royal Assent was announced by the Clerk of the Legislative Assembly in the following words :—

“ In Her Majesty's name, His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor doth assent to these Bills.”

Mr. Speaker then said :

May it please Your Honour :

We, Her Majesty's most dutiful and faithful subjects, the Legislative Assembly of the Province of Ontario, in Session assembled, approach your Honour at the close of our labours with sentiments of unfeigned devotion and loyalty to Her Majesty's person and Government, and humbly beg to present for your Honour's acceptance a Bill intituled “An Act for granting to Her Majesty certain sums of money to defray the expenses of Civil Government for the year 1899, and for other purposes therein.”

To this Bill the Royal Assent was announced by the Clerk of the Legislative Assembly, in the following words :—

“ His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor doth thank Her Majesty's dutiful and loyal subjects, accept their benevolence and assent to this Bill in Her Majesty's name.”

His Honour was then pleased to deliver the following speech:—

Mr. Speaker, and Gentlemen of the Legislative Assembly :

In dismissing you from the arduous labours of the session, I have to thank you for the attention given to the public duties imposed upon you and for the valuable legislation which I have just sanctioned.

I cordially approve of the measures adopted for supplementing the revenues of the Province. By the Act of last year which required the manufacture of saw-logs in Canada it was inevitable that the receipts from the Crown Lands Department should be impaired, and, when to the probable loss of revenue are added the necessary expenditures arising from the increase of population and the growing needs of the people, the public interests required that provision should be made for all necessary expenditure and for the maintenance of the financial standing of the Province. I am glad that you have been able to effect this by a moderate tax upon the accumulation of capital and by a reasonable increase in the duties upon distillers', brewers' and liquor licenses. It is gratifying to believe that the taxes imposed will not be burdensome to any of the classes affected.

I assent with much pleasure to the Act Respecting Aid to certain Railways. Since Confederation the energies of the Assembly have been directed towards the development of all sections of the Province, and as a result of a wise and prudent expenditure of public monies nearly all the outlying portions of the older settlements have been placed within easy reach of the markets of the world by the improved transportation facilities thus afforded. In order, however, that the agricultural resources of the northerly and westerly parts of Ontario may be opened up for further settlement, and that the valuable mineral deposits now generally believed to exist in great abundance in the same districts may be brought within the possibilities of development, and that the timber and other resources of those districts may be made available, the further extension of our railway systems to those sections becomes necessary. I am pleased therefore to think that within two or three years access will probably be obtained by railway to the agricultural lands in the Rainy River District and the mineral and timber lands lying between Rainy Lake and Port Arthur. I am also pleased to notice that through part of the railway systems projected it is intended to place the capital of the Province in direct communication with the tide waters of Hudson's Bay, thus opening a new region to the energies of our own people and establishing a new highway between our own Province by way of Hudson's Bay and the northern territories of the Dominion.

The amendments which you have made to the Statute Laws of the Province, and to the Municipal and Assessment Acts, for the purpose of facilitating the administration of Justice, and rendering more effective the government of municipal corporations, and for other purposes, will, I am confident, be of material advantage to all classes of the community.

The Acts respecting Public Schools, the amendments to the Election Laws, the further improvement of our Mining industries, for the protection of our Fisheries, and for the better administration of the Game Laws meet with my hearty approval.

I have with much satisfaction assented to an Act for facilitating and lessening the costs of the procedure by which workingmen who suffer injuries in the course of their

employment may obtain such compensation as I am confident it is the desire of the Assembly they should receive. I have no doubt this Act will greatly aid in securing to workingmen and render less onerous upon employers the costs of recovering compensation in the event of such accidents as are incident to many of the industries of the Province.

I notice that the private legislation this session has been unprecedently large, a fact that marks the ever increasing wants of an active population. These measures, some of which are of a very important character, bear evidence of having received careful consideration.

I thank you for the liberal appropriations which you have made for the public service. The supplies which you have granted will be expended with prudence and in the public interest.

The Provincial Secretary then said :—

Mr. Speaker and Gentlemen of the Legislative Assembly :

It is His Honour's will and pleasure that this Legislative Assembly be prorogued ; and this Legislative Assembly is accordingly prorogued.

APPENDIX.

No. 1.—REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC ACCOUNTS.

REPORT

OF THE

SELECT STANDING COMMITTEE

ON

PUBLIC ACCOUNTS,

IN THE

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To the Honorable the Legislative Assembly of the Province of Ontario :—

The Select Standing Committee on Public Accounts beg leave to present the following as their

REPORT :

The Committee have had produced before them the following accounts and vouchers in connection with the Public Accounts of the Province for the year 1898, which they have carefully examined and considered :—

All accounts in connection with expenditure for Colonization Roads.

The accounts of Frank Halliday, Crown Timber Agent, for salary and expenses.

The accounts of D. F. Macdonald and J. Sullivan for services and travelling expenses in connection With Forest Ranging.

All accounts in connection with the Experimental Farm, Guelph.

All accounts in connection with the Western Dairy School.

All accounts for expenditure in connection with the San Jose Scale.

All accounts for renewals, furniture, furnishings, etc., at the Central Prison ; also certain accounts for supplies furnished by the Central Prison Industries.

All accounts in connection with the London Asylum.

All accounts for the expenses of Division Court Inspection.

The accounts of C. N. Smith and D. Anderson for services rendered in connection with Colonization Pamphlets.

The following witnesses were examined under oath :—

Mr. Henry Smith, Superintendent of Colonization Roads, with respect to the construction of the Indian Point Bridge.

Mr. Aubrey White, Assistant Commissioner of Crown Lands, with respect to the duties of certain employees in forest and fire ranging and culling timber.

Mr. Frank Halliday, Crown Timber Agent, with respect to the duties of wood rangers, timber cutters and others in securing accurate returns of timber cut on the Crown Lands of the Province; also with respect to the present area of pine timber lands in the eastern part of the Province, both licensed and unlicensed, and also as to the prospect for a second growth of pine on lands which have been already timbered over.

Mr. F. J. Sleightholm, Superintendent of the Western Dairy School, with respect to the work being accomplished at that institution.

Mr. C. C. James, Deputy Minister of Agriculture, was called to give information in regard to the publication of certain Colonization pamphlets, and Mr. J. A. G. Crozier, Chief Clerk of Woods and Forests, to certify the correctness of certain accounts.

The Committee have held fourteen meetings during the present session. They submit herewith the minutes of their proceedings and the evidence given as taken by a stenographer.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

W. A. CHARLTON,

COMMITTEE ROOM,

Chairman.

March 29, 1899.

MINUTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
SELECT STANDING COMMITTEE
ON
PUBLIC ACCOUNTS.
WITH EVIDENCE AND STATEMENTS

SECOND SESSION. - *NINTH LEGISLATURE*

1899.

PUBLIC ACCOUNTS COMMITTEE ROOM,
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY,
TORONTO, Thursday, March 2, 1899.

The Select Standing Committee to whom was referred the examination of the Public Accounts of the Province for the year 1898, and composed of the following members :— Messieurs Charlton, Auld, Bowman, Boyd, Caidwell, Carnegie, Carpenter, Carscallen, Clarke, Conmee, Crawford, Davis, Dickenson, Eilber, Garrow, German, Harcourt, Harty, Hoyle, Kidd, Loughrin, Macnish, Matheson, Pardee, Reid (Addington), Stratton, Tucker, Wardell and Whitney, met this day at 10 30 a.m. for organization.

Present:

Messieurs Charlton,
 " Auld,
 " Caldwell,
 " Carnegie,
 " Carpenter,
 " Davis,

Messieurs Dickenson,
 " Eilber,
 " Harcourt,
 " Macnish,
 " Wardell—11

On motion of Mr. Harcourt, seconded by Mr. Wardell, Mr. Charlton was appointed permanent Chairman of Committee.

Mr. Charlton took the chair and thanked the Committee for the honor conferred upon him.

On motion of Mr. Wardell, seconded by Mr. Eilber, *Ordered*, That all the accounts and vouchers in connection with Colonization Roads for 1898 be laid before the Committee.

On motion of Mr. Carnegie, seconded by Mr. Eilber, *Ordered*, That all the accounts and vouchers in connection with the Western Dairy School for 1898 be laid before the Committee.

The Committee then adjourned until Tuesday next, the 7th day of March, at 11 a.m.

COMMITTEE ROOM,

Tuesday, March 7, 1899.

Committee met pursuant to adjournment at 11 a.m.

Present:

Mr. Charlton, Chairman.

Messieurs Carnegie, Carpenter, Davis, Harcourt, Macnish and Pardee—7.

The accounts Ordered at the last meeting of the Committee relating to Colonization Roads and the Western Dairy School were laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. Auld, seconded by Mr. Macnish, *Ordered*, That all accounts in connection with the San Jose Scale for 1898 be laid before the Committee.

On motion of Mr. Macnish, seconded by Mr. Carpenter, *Ordered*, That all accounts and vouchers in connection with the Experimental Farm, Guelph, for 1898, be laid before the Committee.

Committee adjourned until to-morrow, (Wednesday) at 11 a.m.

COMMITTEE ROOM,

Wednesday, March 8, 1899.

Committee met pursuant to adjournment at 11 a.m.

Present:

Messieurs Caldwell, Carnegie, Eilber, Macnish, Matheson, Pardee and Tucker—7.

In the absence of the Chairman the Committee informally agreed, on motion of Mr. Carnegie, seconded by Mr. Eilber, That the accounts of the London Asylum for 1898 be ordered to be laid before the Committee, and adjourned until to-morrow (Thursday) at 11 a.m.

COMMITTEE ROOM,

Thursday, March 9, 1899.

Committee met pursuant to adjournment at 11 a.m.

Present:

Mr. Charlton, Chairman.

Messieurs Auld, Caldwell, Carnegie, Davis, Dickenson, Eilber, Harcourt, Macnish, Matheson, Pardee, Reid (Addington) and Tucker—13.

Accounts ordered in regard to the Experimental Farm, Guelph, and the San Jose Scale, were laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. Macnish, seconded by Mr. Auld, *Ordered*, That all the accounts and vouchers in connection with the Central Prison on pages 347, 348 and 349 of the Public Accounts for 1898 be laid before the Committee.

On motion of Mr. Matheson, seconded by Mr. Carnegie, *Ordered*, That the following accounts be laid before the Committee :

Warwick Bros. & Rutter :

Printing and binding Statutes, page 69.....	\$35,894 54
Printing and binding, " 435.....	34,600.05
Central Prison Industries, " 230.....	8,269.24

On motion of Mr. Matheson, seconded by Mr. Eilber, *Ordered*, That the following accounts and vouchers be laid before the Committee :

D. F. Macdonald, services as Ranger, page 407.....	\$1,147.00
" arrears for 1897 " 407.....	141.90
" travelling expenses, etc., page 407.....	131.64
" counting logs, " 407.....	24 00
J. Sullivan, services as Ranger, page 407.....	945.00
" travelling expenses " 407.....	111.15
" expenses exploring " 407.....	25.00

On motion of Mr. Eilber, seconded by Mr. Matheson, *Ordered*, That the accounts of expenses, Division Court Inspector, page 83, be produced, \$1,354.72.

Committee adjourned until to-morrow (Friday) at 11 a.m.

COMMITTEE ROOM,

Friday, March 10, 1899.

Committee met pursuant to adjournment at 11 a.m.

Present:

Mr. Charlton, Chairman.

Messieurs Caldwell, Harcourt, Macnish, Matheson and Pardee—6.

In the absence of a quorum, Committee adjourned until Tuesday next, the 14th instant at 11 a.m.

COMMITTEE ROOM,

Tuesday, March 14th, 1899

Committee met, pursuant to adjournment, at 11 a.m.

Present :

Mr. Charlton, Chairman.

Messieurs Auld, Bowman, Caldwell, Carnegie, Carpenter, Dickenson, Eilber, Harcourt, Macnish, Matheson, Pardee, and Tucker.—13.

The following accounts were laid on the table :

Central Prison, Capital Account Central Prison Industries for supplies to Central Prison ; D. F. Macdonald and J. Sullivan for Forest Ranging and the expenses of Division Court Inspection.

Mr. Henry Smith, Superintendent of Colonization Roads, was called and sworn. He was examined in regard to the construction of Indian Point Bridge—See Index.

On motion of Mr. Matheson, seconded by Mr. Eilber, *Ordered*, that Mr. F. Halliday, Crown Timber Agent, be summoned to appear before the Committee, also, that his accounts be laid before them as follows :

Salary as Agent page 405	1,600.00
Disbursements "	158.03

Committee adjourned until to-morrow, at 11 a.m.

COMMITTEE ROOM,

Wednesday, March 15th, 1899.

Committee met, pursuant to adjournment, at 11 a.m.

Present :

Mr. Charlton, Chairman.

Messieurs Auld, Bowman, Caldwell, Dickenson, Eilber, Harcourt, Harty Macnish, Matheson, and Pardee.—11.

After some time spent in examining accounts, Committee adjourned until to-morrow at 11 a.m.

COMMITTEE ROOM,

Thursday, March 16th, 1899.

Committee met pursuant to adjournment, at 11 a.m.

Present :

Mr. Charlton, Chairman.

Messieurs Bowman, Caldwell, Carnegie, Davis, Dickenson, Eilber, Loughrin, Macnish, Matheson, Pardee, and Reid, (Addington).—12.

The accounts of Frank Halliday, Crown Timber Agent, were laid on the table.

On Motion of Mr. Matheson, seconded by Mr. Carnegie, *Ordered*, that the following accounts be laid before the Committee :

D. Anderson, Services collecting information re Soil, Climate, etc.	page 461.....	350.00
D. Anderson, Travelling expenses	"	118.75
C. N. Smith, Printing pamphlet re Algoma		400.00

Also, that a copy of pamphlet re Algoma be laid before the Committee.

Mr. Aubrey White, Assistant Commissioner of Crown Lands, was called and examined in regard to the accounts and duties of D. F. Macdonald, J. Sullivan, and Frank Halliday—See Index.

Mr. J. A. G. Crozier, Chief Clerk, Woods and Forests Branch, was called and examined in regard to accounts of D. F. Macdonald—See Index.

Committee adjourned until to-morrow, at 11 a.m.

COMMITTEE ROOM,

Friday, March 17th, 1899.

Committee met, pursuant to adjournment, at 11 a.m.

Present :

Mr. Charlton, Chairman.

Messieurs Auld, Bowman, Caldwell, Carnegie, Harcourt, Loughrin, Macnish Matheson, Pardee, Reid, (Addington) and Tucker.—12.

Mr. Aubrey White was recalled, sworn, and further examined re D. F. Macdonald's accounts.—See Index.

Mr. C. C. James, Deputy Minister of Agriculture, was called, sworn and examined in regard to the publication of certain Colonization pamphlets.—See Index.

The accounts of Mr. D. Anderson, for services collecting information re soil, climate, etc., for settlers, were laid on the table :

Committee adjourned until Tuesday next, the 21st day of March, at 11 a.m.

COMMITTEE ROOM,

Tuesday, March 21st, 1899.

Committee met pursuant to adjournment, at 11 a.m.

Present :

Mr. Charlton, Chairman.

Messieurs Auld, Clarke, Davis, Eilber, Harcourt, and Macnish.—7.

The accounts of Mr. C. M. Smith, re Algoma pamphlet, were laid on the table :

On motion of Mr. Carnegie, seconded by Mr. Eilber, *Ordered*, that Mr. F. J. Sleightholm, Superintendent of the Western Dairy School, be cited to appear before the Committee on Thursday next.

Mr. F. Halliday appeared before the Committee according to citation, but, in the absence of Mr. Matheson, his examination was postponed until to-morrow.

Committee adjourned until to-morrow at 11 a.m.

C O M M I T T E E R O O M ,

Wednesday, March 22nd, 1899.

Committee met, pursuant to adjournment, at 11 a.m.

Present :

Mr. Charlton, Chairman.

Messieurs Caldwell, Carnegie, Clarke, Davis, Dickenson, Eilber, Loughrin, Macnish, Matheson, Pardee, Reid, (Addington) and Tucker.—13.

Mr. Aubrey White was recalled, and examined in regard to the work of the Crown timber agents, and cullers—See Index.

Mr. Frank Halliday, Crown Timber Agent for the Districts of Parry Sound and Muskoka, was called, sworn and examined in regard to various matters connected with his position and the timber operations within the district over which he has charge.—See Index.

Mr. C. C. James was recalled and examined in regard to the publication of a pamphlet re Algoma.—See Index.

Committee adjourned until to-morrow, at 11 a.m.

C O M M I T T E E R O O M ,

Thursday, March 23rd, 1899.

Committee met, pursuant to adjournment, at 11 a. m.

Present :

Messieurs Auld, Carnegie, Carpenter, Davis, Eilber, Harcourt, Macnish, Matheson, and Tucker.—9.

Mr. Macnish in the Chair.

The Clerk was instructed to telegraph Mr. F. J. Sleightholm to appear before the Committee to-morrow.

Committee adjourned until to-morrow, at 11 a.m.

C O M M I T T E E R O O M ,

Friday, March 24th, 1899.

Committee met, pursuant to adjournment, at 11 a.m.

Present :

Mr. Charlton, Chairman.

Messieurs Auld, Boyd, Caldwell, Carnegie, Clarke, Davis, Harcourt, Loughrin, Macnish, Matheson, and Pardee.—12.

Mr. F. J. Sleightholm, Superintendent of the Western Dairy School, was called, sworn and examined in regard to the working of the Western Dairy School.—See Index.

Committee adjourned until Wednesday next, the 29th day of March, at 10 a.m.

COMMITTEE ROOM,

Wednesday, March 29th, 1899.

Committee met, pursuant to adjournment, at 10 a.m.

Present :

Mr. Charlton, Chairman.

Messieurs Auld, Caldwell, Carnegie, Eilber, Macnish, Matheson, and Tucker.—8.

The chairman read draft of report which, upon motion of Mr. Macnish, seconded by Mr. Auld, was adopted as the report of the Committee, and ordered to be presented to the House, along with the minutes of their proceedings and the evidence given as taken by a stenographer.

Committee then adjourned *Sine die*.

EVIDENCE TAKEN BEFORE THE PUBLIC ACCOUNTS COMMITTEE.

PUBLIC ACCOUNTS COMMITTEE ROOM,

March 14th, 1899.

The committee met at 11 a.m., Mr. W. A. Charlton, the chairman, occupying the chair.

Henry Smith, Superintendent of Colonization Roads, was called, sworn and examined.

By Mr. Mr. MATHESON.—Q. Mr. Fraser is in Manitoulin, is he?

A. I believe so; that is his home.

Q. You are the Superintendent of Colonization Roads?

A. Yes, I am the Superintendent.

Q. Where is the Indian Point bridge?

A. It is across the Narrows, which separates a bay called Wolsey bay and the larger waters of the Georgian Bay across from a point called Indian Point; I think it is within the Township of Gaden.

Q. On Manitoulin Island?

A. On Manitoulin Island; yes.

Q. How long is it?

A. I think it is 1,760 feet. The exact length is in the report and I can verify it if necessary.

Q. What is the estimated cost ?

A. About \$5,000—at least that is what is in the estimates. I was never on the ground.

Q. I would like to have some one to give me information about the bridge. Is there anybody in these buildings who knows about the bridge?

A. No sir. The only persons who would know about it are the builder of the bridge, Mr. Fraser, and the Inspector, and neither of them is here.

Q. Where is the Inspector ?

A. He lives near the Bruce Mines at Thessalon,

Q. What is his name ?

A. John F. Boyd.

Q. The Dominion Government gave a grant towards this bridge ?

A. Yes, of \$3,000.

Q. When was it commenced ? Was it last year or the year before ?

A. In 1898 it was commenced, I think. Very early in the spring of 1898—I have forgotten exactly—we began to get out some of the material, stone and things that had to be drawn in the winter.

Q. Who was in charge of the work ?

A. Mr. J. M. Fraser.

Q. Where does he live ?

A. He lives at Gore Bay—that is his post office address.

Q. Do you know whether the bridge is completed ?

A. No sir, it is not completed yet.

Q. How late in the year did they work ?

A. Well I think about—

Q. Until the end of September ?

A. Perhaps later. The pay sheets will show exactly. The last pay sheets will show the last day (examining pay sheets). The work lasted from February 4th to September. They finished some time in September. September 27th, is the last record we have.

Q. You say that the estimate for the bridge was \$5,000 ?

A. \$5,000, yes.

Q. How much has been spent on it according to the public accounts last year \$5,850 is it not ?

A. \$5,850.

Q. Of which \$3,000 was paid by the Dominion ?

A. Paid by the Dominion, yes.

Q. And the bridge is not completed yet ?

A. The bridge is not completed yet.

Q. Have you any reports as to the progress of the bridge?

A. Oh! yes.

Q. Do you know how much is the estimated cost of finishing it?

A. The estimated cost, so far as the balance of the wood work is concerned, is about \$1,300.

Q. Is the bridge passable at present?

A. Oh no, it is not passable at present. It requires \$1,300 to be spent on wood-work and requires also a swing for the purposes of navigation before the bridge is completed.

Q. Where steamers can go through?

A. So that steamers and boats can go through, yes.

Q. Is the swing not built yet?

A. It is not built yet.

Q. Did Mr. Fraser give any reason for the bridge not being completed last year?

A. Well, we gave reasons rather than he because we had not money appropriated for the work and we could not go along.

Q. Who made the estimate for the cost?

A. Well, it was made by Mr. John Boyd, the father of the present John F. Boyd. He made an estimate of the cost.

Q. Is he alive now?

A. No sir, he is dead. The later reports show that the bridge could not be built for that amount of money.

Q. Is there any reason beyond the want of money to prevent the bridge being finished last year?

A. No, sir, none that I know of.

Q. People up there have complained it was kept back for election purposes?

A. Well, that does not reach me.

Q. You do not understand that part?

A. No. As matter of fact we would not have spent so much as we did, but the account was overdrawn somewhat before it was found —

Q. What was the vote that this Legislature granted for the bridge?

A. I think there was \$2,500 granted in the estimates of last year, conditional upon the Government giving \$3,000. I would not be positive about that, perhaps it was less than that. I think it was, perhaps, less than \$1,500.

By Hon. Mr. HARCOURT.—Q. Who did you say the overseer was, Mr. Smith?

A. It was Mr. John F. Boyd.

Q. Where is he?

A. He is at Thessalon. His father was the inspector who made the measurement and that sort of thing. His son succeeded him last year, and he is the only one and the builder who would know anything about it from personal examination.

By Mr. MATHESON.—Q. And what do you estimate, from the information which has been sent down, will be required to finish the bridge completely ?

A. I think it will cost from the information I have received about \$2,800 to fully complete the bridge, including the steel swing portion.

Q. Are the piers built for the swing portion ?

A. No, they are not quite, but the material is on the ground for the erection of the foundations for the steel swing. It swings upon a large pier in the centre.

Q. Is there anything in the estimates this year do you know ?

A. It is not in the estimates yet.

Q. Not in the main estimates for that bridge ?

A. No.

Q. And the work done is of no use until it is completed, I suppose ?

A. No ; of course you cannot pass over the work yet.

Q. How much is required for the approaches, and how much for the bridge work ?

A. The total length is 1,760 or 1,770 feet. About 1,300 or 1,400 I think are now complete. It is built and based on crib-work filled with stone—a solid roadway.

Q. Is it solid crib all the way ?

A. All the way, and will be except the swing.

Q. The whole bridge will be solid except the swing ?

A. All solid except the swing which is a permanent work.

Q. As I understand, even the solid part is not finished ?

A. No, there is at one end—I am speaking from memory—a couple of hundred feet that is with the pier and the filling up to that pier, and I think about, probably, one hundred feet on the other side. There are nearly 1,400 feet, I think, completed out of the 1,700.

Q. Are any of the piers built yet ?

A. No, the main piers are not built yet. As I said before the material is already on the ground for this work.

Q. And is it paid for ?

A. Yes, it is all paid for.

Q. I suppose that is all you know about it ?

A. Yes sir, that is all I know about it.

PUBLIC ACCOUNTS COMMITTEE ROOM,

March 16th.

The Committee met at 11 o'clock, the Chairman, Mr. W. A. Charlton presiding.

AUBREY WHITE, Deputy Commissioner of Crown Lands, was called and examined.

By Mr. MATHESON.—I did not mean to call you—the man I wanted was Mr. Macdonald—but the Chairman suggested that you should be called. I do not know whether you can give the exact information I want ?

A. Well, I will try to give the information if I know it.

Q. You are the Assistant Commissioner of Crown Lands ?

A. Yes,

Q. Who is D. F. Macdonald ? He is a woodranger, is he not ?

A. Not now sir.

Q. He was last year ?

A. He was last year, yes.

Q. About what date ?

A. Well, I cannot say. His account would show.

Q. These are his accounts ? (handing documents to witness).

A. This first account is from the 25th November, 1897, to the 6th June, 1898. Then there is an account for the examination he made in the Township of Baxter, ranging from June 13th to September 10th.

Q. Will you look at the affidavit verifying that account for Baxter Township ?

A. I have it in my hand, sir.

Q. What is the date on which it was sworn ?

A. It is sworn in October.

Q. What year ?

A. 1894. That is a mistake, of course.

Q. That is what I want to find out ?

A. I don't understand that.

Q. You cannot explain that ?

A. That was sworn here in the Department this fall. I am aware of it, because I sent for Mr. Crozier, who is chief of the Woods and Forests' branch, to take the affidavit. It is sworn before the chief of the Woods and Forests' branch.

Q. Do you know of your own knowledge that Macdonald was at that work last summer ?

A. Yes, I do.

Q. And not in 1894 ?

A. Not in 1894, but this summer. I gave him the instructions, Mr. Matheson, in connection with the lawyer who had charge of this particular matter.

Q. It is a very extraordinary thing. Are these woodrangers given affidavits in advance ?

A. No.

Q. Are they given forms ?

A. Not until they come to close their accounts. Then when they come to put in their accounts, it is said to them "This is the form and you have to make your affidavit upon that form."

Q. Do they take out forms of affidavits partially filled up ?

A. No, I don't think so.

Q. And then fill them in afterwards ?

A. When a ranger has completed his service and writes to say so, we would transmit to him a form upon which to make his account, similar to this. If you have any doubt as to the date upon which this was sworn you can call Mr. Crozier, Chief of the Woods and Forests' Branch, before whom the affidavit was taken.

By Hon. Mr. DAVIS.—Q. And did Mr. Crozier place that date there, would you suppose ?

A. I think so, I think that is his writing.

By the CHAIRMAN.—Q. 1894 on the affidavit ?

A. Yes.

By Mr. MATHESON.—Q. The auditor complained as to some vouchers, did he not ? Have you seen that correspondence before (pointing to papers in the hands of the witness) ?

A. I think so.

Q. Has he complained there as to details and vouchers ?

A. He asks for further particulars. Those further particulars we supplied before the auditor passed the account.

Q. No ; I think they are not given except in a letter of his. Can you find among those papers anything except a letter of D. F. Macdonald giving further particulars ?

A. (Reads) "in reply to your request for information *re* Isa Aissance in the township of Baxter." This is Macdonald's letter.

Q. The reason the auditor asks for those particulars is that the voucher is for a lump sum, is it not ? Just look at the voucher there, that for \$20 ?

A. There is one for \$20, yes.

Q. Read it, please ?

A. "Received from D. F. Macdonald, Crown Timber Agent, \$20 for cooking, etc., in the township of Baxter."

Q. There is another one there ?

A. "David Hawke, cooking and charge of camp and fire in the township of Baxter, \$37."

Q. Is that the explanation of accounts which the auditor asked for ?

A. Yes, sir ; I think that is what he asked for.

Q. Now, can you find any explanation other than that letter of Macdonald's ? I think as a matter of fact there is none ?

A. There does not seem to be any except Macdonald's letter of explanation.

By Mr. PARDEE.—Q. As to those two items ?

A. Yes ; he says he employed Isa Aissance at \$1.25 a day and board himself. He left and then David Hawke was engaged at the same wages and board himself. "Isa Aissance worked 16 days and I paid him \$20 and got his receipt for the same. David Hawke worked 29½ days and was paid \$37 and I got his receipt for the same."

By Mr. MATHESON.—Q. So the receipt does not show how many days there were ?

A. No, the receipt itself does not.

Q. And the only detail given is the letter of Macdonald ?

A. The letter of Macdonald.

By Mr. MACNISH.—Q. Who engaged the men ?

A. Mr. Macdonald.

By Mr. MATHESON.—Q. What work was this he was doing in the Islands ?

A. He was making an inspection to ascertain the quantity of timber upon the mainland, in connection with a dispute that had come up between the Department and the timber licensee.

Q. Where are these islands ?

A. They are in the Georgian Bay in the front of the township of Baxter.

Q. Do you know where Macdonald is now ?

A. I do not, unless he is at his home in Parry Sound.

Q. Has he been employed by the Government at any time since the end of September ?

A. No, sir ; not to my knowledge.

Q. Is he in the employment of the Government now ?

A. No, sir.

Q. How long was he in the employment of the Government previous to this ?

A. I think he came into the service as a forest ranger when I was transferred to the Crown Lands Department—that would be in the year 1878.

Q. How long did he remain as forest ranger ?

A. He was a forest ranger until—I cannot fix the year when he was appointed Crown Timber Agent at Parry Sound, but I think it would probably be along in 1884 or 1885.

Q. How long has he been Crown Timber Agent ? Did he succeed as Crown Timber Agent ?

A. Yes ; he succeeded a Mr. Johnson who had been timber agent at Parry Sound, who resigned, and Mr. Macdonald succeeded him.

Q. How long did he act as Crown Timber Agent ?

A. Until 1894 or 1895, or along there—1896, I think. I don't wish to be understood as speaking positively.

Q. Was he discharged ?

A. He sent in his resignation at the request of the Commissioner of Crown Lands at that time.

Q. For what reason was that request given ?

A. What reason ?

Q. Were there any charges against him that caused his resignation ?

A. I think it was in connection with the Moore Lumber Company that the Commissioner thought his resignation should be tendered.

Q. Was he in charge of the limits from which the Moore Lumber Company took lumber?

A. He was in charge of the ranging in that country.

Q. Of the ranging?

A. Yes.

Q. And the Moore Lumber Company took some timber from territory not within their license? That was the charge, was it not?

A. No; that was not the charge.

Q. What was it?

A. That they got out more timber than they returned.

Q. To what extent? 15,000,000 feet?

A. I think it was ten or twelve million feet.

Q. And was D. F. Macdonald responsible for measuring the timber they got out?

A. He was responsible in the sense that he was in charge of the territory. If you will allow me to make an explanation, I desire to say that it would be almost impossible for him to know what was being done there. You will understand, Colonel Matheson, that our staff of forest rangers consists of only some twenty-one or twenty-two individuals, and that it is impossible for them to have close accurate supervision of all the work that is going on, as to measurements and skidding, and handling in different shanties. The best they can do is to get a general knowledge—that is all.

Q. Still the only check that the Department has on the Moore Lumber Company's operations was such as Macdonald?

A. Such as Macdonald or some other ranger employed in the same territory might have _____.

Q. He was the one especially responsible?

A. And then when the returns come to be made out, the foreman who had charge of the shanty has to make an affidavit that this is the full quantity of logs that he took out as foreman of that shanty. The culler who measures the logs has to make an affidavit that he measured all the logs in that shanty, and these were all the logs that were cut under the supervision of that foreman.

Q. Who pays the culler?

A. The culler is paid by the lumberman. Then the owner of that limit or the agent in charge has to make an affidavit showing all the logs that were got out by the different foremen, and the quantity that each got out, so that there has to be collusion and perjury by three individuals before fraud can take place.

Q. Of course. There is first the lumberman, then two of his employees, the foreman and the culler, make an affidavit. Outside of that, the only check you have is the Crown Timber Agent, who in this case was Mr. Macdonald?

A. Yes.

Q. Then the Commissioner considered he was negligent, did he?

A. Yes.

Q. And he asked for his resignation ?

A. He asked for his resignation.

Q. And he resigned ?

A. He resigned.

Q. Can you give about the date when that took place ?

A. I cannot from memory. I have the exact date down stairs.

Q. Can you tell the year ?

A. No, I cannot ; not from memory.

Q. How long was he employed by the Department ?

A. I think for over a year after that. I would have to look it up before speaking correctly.

Q. Speaking from memory, you think about a year ?

A. I think so.

Q. When next was he employed ?

A. I think he was employed estimating the timber upon islands in the Georgian Bay and seeing that no fire took place upon them—as a fire ranger making estimates.

Q. Any idea of the year that was in ? I don't know myself.

A. I don't know either. It was the following year, I think, sometime—the year after he resigned.

Q. And has he been continually in the employ of the Government since that date up to last September ?

A. Well, he has been employed from each year from time, not continuously. You see these rangers are not continuously employed. They are employed for only part of the year—just for the winter season, that is all, and while the lumbering is going on.

Q. What are the duties of the rangers ?

A. They are to visit the different lumbering operations ; to go through the logs and form an idea as best they can about the average of the logs ; to get from the culler, statements of his measurements up to the date of their visit and the number of pieces that are cut and measured, and from that produce an average and compare it with the average which they get from their own measurements, and then see if the two averages pretty nearly agree.

Q. So that these rangers are a check on the company ?

A. They are a check on the company.

Q. So Macdonald was actually employed in the same work from which he was discharged before ?

A. No, he was Crown timber agent having supervision, when he was discharged.

Q. But he was discharged for neglect in supervising the cut, and supervision of the cut was part of his work as ranger ?

A. That was part of his work.

By Mr. LOUGHIN.—Q. You did not say that they are expected to take a measurement of certain samples?

A. I said to compare that with their own average.

Q. Colonel Matheson asked you what their duties were, and you did not explain that each bush ranger is expected to take a measurement of certain samples?

A. Yes, I did.

By Hon. Mr. DAVIS.—Q. Did the Commissioner, in looking into the Moore Lumber Company matter, consider that Macdonald was in collusion with everybody to defraud?

A. I think he did not, Mr. Davis. I think he did not consider that there had been any collusion, but he considered that there had been carelessness and that Mr. Macdonald might have known more about it than he did, and under the circumstances that some action, to give him to understand that he had not done his full duty in the premises, perhaps should be taken.

Q. What are Macdonald's capabilities as ranger?

A. I should consider Mr. Macdonald well qualified—as well qualified a man as ranger as there is in the Province.

By Mr. PARDEE.—Q. As a matter of fact, this whole trouble arose through the falsification of books by the Moore Lumber Company? That was the foundation of the whole matter?

A. Yes.

By Mr. LOUGHIN.—Q. At the time this took place, Mr. Macdonald was an ordinary bushranger?

A. He was Crown timber agent.

Q. There were other men under him. He himself was not expected to visit the lumber camps?

A. Yes, he was expected. He took part of the territory.

By Mr. REID (Addington).—Q. Did it take place all in one year?

A. My impression is when we found there was a shortage we went into a thorough examination, and took evidence under oath, and went into accounts from the very beginning. We went to Detroit and inspected the company's books and records of sales and everything, and what we established was that, comparing what they had sold with what they had returned to us during the whole period, there appeared to be a shortage of so much. You understand that the fraud might all have been in one year, but we went into the whole thing and we said: "Now, let us see, since you began the lumber trade, how much lumber you have had and how much you have sold—what those logs have produced—and we compared that with their returns from the beginning and we found that there was so much of a difference, and we charged them up upon the whole difference."

Q. You think, Mr. White, it could be possible they could make that all in one year without Macdonald's knowing anything about it?

A. They might have done so. You see, as Mr. Pardee has said, the books kept in the shanty were false books, and the ranger going there and looking at the books would be deceived by them.

Q. A double set of books?

A. A double set of books.

By Mr. MATHESON.—Q. What was the exact amount of the shortage?

A. 10,861,166 million feet which, at \$1 thousand, would be \$10,861.16. That was the amount we added to the company's account.

Q. What is the date of that account of D. F. Macdonald's?

A. That is in 1898 apparently.

Q. What is it for? Will you read it please?

A. This is for the work on the Georgian Bay islands that I was speaking of. There was a balance which seems to have been paid this year.

Q. It is the \$42.50 in a lump sum that I am speaking of?

A. \$42.50 David Hawke.

Q. Read his receipt?

A. "For ranging on the islands, \$42.50."

Q. There is no time given; is it just a lump sum?

A. It is a lump sum.

Q. That receipt that Macdonald handed in, is the voucher for that much money?

A. Yes, for his expenses—for the wages, rather, of the man that he employed.

Q. Is Capt. Sullivan in the employ of the Department?

A. No, sir, he is not.

Q. Was he in the employ of the Department?

A. Capt. Sullivan? He was in the employ last year.

Q. What was his employment?

A. He was a forest ranger.

Q. Where did he live?

A. At Sault Ste. Marie, under Mr. Campbell, the Crown timber agent there.

Q. Has he been employed for some years?

A. Yes, for five or six years, I think.

Q. Up to what time was he employed?

A. His account will show the date his services terminated.

Q. Up to last October?

A. Well, I don't know. I would have to see the account before I answered that.

Q. I see in his account he deducts twenty days in February and one in March?

A. Yes.

Q. 1st March, I suppose?

A. I don't know, I am sure. I did not ask him what particular day that was.

Q. Is he, like Mr. Macdonald, employed part of the year in each of these years?

A. Yes.

Q. Not all the year round ?

A. Not all the year round. Just employed by the day and paid for the number of days he is engaged.

Q. His work was of the same nature as Mr. Macdonald, forest ranging ?

A. Forest ranging.

Q. Are any of these rangers employed in winter ?

A. Yes. They go out about the middle of November and they stay on duty until, sometimes, on in July or August—it depends upon the amount of work they are charged with. Some of them are taken off on the 30th April ; others are retained to collect the returns, to visit the different lumbering operations and to take the returns from the foremen, cutters and managers.

Q. Do you know the reason D. F. Macdonald and—what's Sullivan's first name ?

A. John.

Q. And John Sullivan were not employed this last winter ?

A. I do not, sir. I had no instructions to engage them and did not engage them.

Q. I suppose you do not know it was because of the bye-elections ?

A. I do not know anything about the bye-elections, except that they occurred.

By Mr. REID (Addington).—Q. These men kept their own time. There is no check as to whether they were woodranging or not. You have to take their word ?

A. Except that they swore to the number of days they were employed.

Q. Is Frank Halliday employed by the Department ?

A. He is employed as Crown Timber Agent. He succeeded Mr. Macdonald at Parry Sound.

Q. About when ?

A. I think it was 1895 or thereabouts—1896, it might be.

Q. Is he employed all the year round ?

A. Yes, sir.

Q. What is his salary ?

A. \$1,600.

Q. What territory has he ?

A. He has the whole of the Muskoka and Parry Sound districts under his supervision.

Q. Is he employed in the County of Hastings ?

A. No.

Q. Is he employed in the County of Addington ?

A. No.

Q. His whole time is supposed to be given to the Government service ?

A. Yes.

Q. Has he asked for leave of absence?

A. No.

Q. At any time since last August?

A. Not to my recollection.

Q. What is the nature of his duties?

A. He has supervision of all the forest rangers; he has four or five men under him in these districts and they are subject to his directions. He gives them instructions and they make their reports and returns to him; in addition to which he visits certain lumbering operations himself and makes inspections and that sort of thing. Then, at the end of the season all the lumbering returns are sent to him and he transmits them to the Department. He is the medium of communication between the Department and the lumberman or settler or anybody there who has business with the timber branch.

Q. Mr. Halliday does not go out into the woods at all?

A. Oh, yes.

Q. I understood he had an office?

A. He has an office; but, as I said, he takes part of the territory himself.

Q. He oversees the others?

A. He oversees the others in addition.

Q. You do not know where he is now?

A. I do not, although I had a letter from him to-day dated Huntsville. He will probably be at home now.

By Mr. MATHESON.—Q. Have you the date now of the Moore Lumber Company investigation?

A. Yes, in December, 1895.

Q. And it was in that year Macdonald was dismissed?

A. It was immediately after this.

By the CHAIRMAN.—Q. In addition to paying for the shortage, Mr. White, did the company pay the costs of the investigation?

A. Yes.

Q. So that the Government were not out any in the costs of the investigation?

A. No.

By Mr. MATHESON.—Q. Do you know what year the Government made the demand for the dues on that lumber? When did they discover it?

A. I think it was in the fall of 1894 that we first heard about it.

Q. And what about 1895.

A. That is the season of 1894-95—that is the lumbering season we investigated it.

Q. When did they pay the money over?

A. They paid it over to the Crown Lands Department.

Q. When ?

A. I think it would be in 1896, probably, after this investigation took place.

Q. Were they fined at all ?

A. No, sir.

Q. Was any allowance made for culls ?

A. They were not charged for culls. They took this position. They said : "These logs are of small diameter and naturally they will overrun the measurements made in the woods when they come to be sawn out. Now, you are proposing to charge us on what these logs actually cut out at the mills which is something you would not charge another lumberman, and we think in consideration of that you ought not to charge us anything at all upon what were culls," and it is not the practice to charge for valueless culls.

Q. What percentage were they allowed off for culls ?

A. Well, I cannot say from memory.

Q. There was an allowance made for culls ?

A. Well, we did not charge them on the culls.

Q. Well, the culls must have been a percentage ?

A. No doubt they were ; but I cannot say now exactly what that percentage was. Of course, Mr. Matheson, when we went into the books we got the inner history of the character of the lumber. They got so much good lumber and so much culls, and they contended that we should not charge them for the culls.

Q. Did they claim that under the circumstances they were entitled to any allowance ?

A. They claimed we should not charge them upon the culls.

Q. What excuse did they give for taking the lumber this way ?

A. The individuals composing the company said that they did not know anything about it, that they had no knowledge of it at all. What was done was done by their manager.

Q. Who is their manager ?

A. A man named Sheehan.

Q. Is he in this country ?

A. I don't know where he is.

Q. Was it not understood at the time that he cleared off to the States ?

A. I think it was.

Q. And he has never come back since ?

A. Not to my knowledge.

Q. Who would benefit by the reduction in the dues ?

A. Well, of course the Company getting the logs benefitted.

Q. And yet they pretended they knew nothing about it ?

A. They said they were not parties to the fraud, and did not know anything about it. They gave no instructions to have anything of the kind done, and it did seem to the Department, I suppose, a reasonable thing that no reputable man would place himself at the mercy of two or three employees.

Q. What inducement would these men have?

A. Sheehan, I think, had a small interest in the concern, but I do not know that that was sufficient to induce him to commit fraud.

BY MR. CARNEGIE.—Q. The Company knew they sold so much lumber?

A. Yes.

Q. They also knew that they paid so much dues?

A. Yes.

Q. They knew what the regulations of the Department were in the matter?

A. Yes.

Q. Would that not show that they must have known that something was wrong?

A. Yes, there was that, no doubt. But there was an additional factor in the case, and that was that the people who owned the Moore Lumber Company when we discovered the fraud, and had to deal with it, were not the people who owned it when the fraud was committed. They had passed out of it, and there was only one of the original Company in it, and he at the time the fraud was committed only held a small share.

BY MR. EILBER.—Q. The same book-keeper?

A. No, because Sheehan was the man who kept the books.

BY MR. REID.—Q. What was the average number of feet the Moore Lumber Company worked out in those years?

A. I cannot say from memory.

Q. Can you give any idea?

A. I could not say from memory. My impression is that the whole cut was between fifty and sixty millions.

BY MR. PARDEE.—Q. As a matter of fact the Government lost nothing?

A. No.

Q. The logs were paid for in the ordinary way, the same as if they had been allowed in the account?

A. Yes.

Q. And the Company paid all the costs of the investigation?

A. Yes.

BY MR. MATHESON.—Q. But the Government would have lost had they not accidentally found out about it?

A. Certainly the Government would have lost.

Q. The Moore Lumber Company did not give any information, did they?

A. No, the information came from one of our own rangers.

BY MR. REID.—Under the regulations the Government could have imposed a fine, could they not, on the Moore Company?

A. Oh, yes; the Government could have. If they had seen fit, they could have done so.

BY MR. MATHESON.—Q. They did not do it?

A. For the reasons I have given you.

BY MR. PARDEE.—Q. Because the Company had materially changed?

A. The Company had materially changed.

BY MR. CALDWELL.—Q. The extra allowance they paid was made up from the actual cut of the lumber?

A. From their cut from the beginning—made up from the products of their mills.

Q. If it was from small logs the cut was taken, so far from the Government losing they were actually making a gain?

A. Of course the logs would overrun in the culling. There is no question about that in the case of small logs.

BY MR. REID.—Q. I understand you to say that the man who kept the books was an interested party. If that was true, do you not think the Government should have imposed a fine?

A. Of course I cannot carry in my memory exactly everything that took place, but my impression is that this man had part of an interest.

BY THE CHAIRMAN.—Q. He was not interested in the Company at the time of the settlement?

A. I don't think he was at the time of the settlement.

BY MR. MATHESON.—Q. Did the Government not cancel another license for something similar somewhere about Peterborough, I forget the name of the firm?

A. You are referring to what is known as the Scott frauds.

Q. Did they not cancel the license in that case?

A. I think they did.

Q. Did they not make them pay a large amount besides?

A. They made them pay the difference between what they had returned and what they got. The Scott people claim they were overcharged, and I think a certain amount was returned to them after the settlement.

BY MR. CARNEGIE.—Q. The logs in the Scott case were taken not off Government limits but off the Scotts' own property?

A. They were taken off the Scott limits, but he claimed we were charging him dues upon logs which came off private lands.

BY MR. MATHESON.—Q. In that case there was a penalty imposed?

A. There was a penalty imposed.

Q. And there was none in the case of the Moore Lumber Company?

A. There was none in the case of the Moore Lumber Company. Of course I can give you the particulars as to the Scott matter if you want it. That was investigated by a Commission.

BY MR. REID.—Q. What about the fire rangers? Who appoints them?

A. The limit holders recommend the men they want to be employed on their limits, and the Government appoints those men.

Q. They generally recommend their own men?

A. They generally recommend men in whom they have confidence.

Q. They pay one-half?

A. They pay one-half—one dollar a day. Sometimes it's a little less. It is according to a bargain the lumberman makes with his ranger.

Q. Who puts in the account?

A. The fire ranger swears to his account. He makes it out on a form something like this wood ranger's form. Then he hands it to the lumberman by whom he is employed, and he has to certify to it and make an affidavit that that fire ranger was not engaged in any other duty but fire ranging, and that he was employed the number of days stated upon that certificate; then we pay our proportion, the lumberman paying his.

Q. Is it the government suggests how many fire rangers should be appointed?

A. No.

Q. The lumberman?

A. The lumberman. I was in a measure responsible for the framing of this regulation in the beginning under Mr. Pardee, and my idea was this: that it would be better to allow the lumberman to select the men to supervise his limits for two reasons. First, because he would select a man who was familiar with the country, who knew the people who were settled there, and would be able to move about rapidly from place to place, and would select men of discretion—men who, he knew, would not get into difficulty with the people. And in the next place, being his man, the lumberman would have supervision over him, and see that he did his duty.

Q. The fire rangers are increasing very fast?

A. The complaint is that we have not enough.

Q. I know that there are some employed where there is no timber?

A. The matter is voluntary in this sense; that the lumberman is allowed to elect whether he will have rangers on his limit or not. We are now pressed to say "You must employ so many men."

By Mr. EILBER.—Q. Was there any complaint ever made to the Department by any of the fire rangers that they had not been paid at the rate of sixty or eighty dollars a month by the owner of these limits?

A. I think there was in one case. I recollect now a complaint of that kind, and we investigated it, and we found there had been an attempt to pay the man less than he should have got, and we made the lumberman pay over the amount.

Q. But is it not the general practice of these men not to pay at the rate of sixty or eighty dollars?

A. We are not aware of anything of the kind, and if so there must be perjury on the part of the lumberman and of the fire ranger.

J. A. G. CROZIER called, sworn and examined.

By Hon. Mr. DAVIS.—Q. Have you any idea who prepared this affidavit (handing document to witness)?

A. Who wrote this.

Q. Yes.

A. Well that looks like D. F. Macdonald's hand-writing.

Q. Before whom was that affidavit made ?

A. It was made before me—it is sworn before me.

Q. The bills in the affidavit, you will see, are dated in the year 1898 ?

A. This affidavit is dated 1894.

Q. Do you know when that was made ?

A. I have no reason to doubt it was made on the date given here.

Q. How do you explain that the account is dated 1898, and the affidavit is made in 1894 ?

A. That is my writing there. I filled in the jurat and swore the man. He simply came to me to swear his affidavit.

By Mr. MATHESON.—Q. Is there any year mentioned except 1894 ? I think there is none ?

A. No, sir. I see no year here except what I put in the jurat myself. Of course it is customary for me, when a man comes before me to be sworn, to examine these papers here.

Q. In whose writing is the jurat filled in ?

A. It is filled in by me.

By Hon. Mr. DAVIS.—Q. Mr. White, did I understand you to say that the affidavit is brought to you, and then by you sent to Mr. Crozier ?

A. The account would be sent to Mr. Crozier for the man to swear to it.

Q. Did you see it before it was sent to him ?

A. The affidavit ? No, I don't think so. The account would come to me to be passed, and I would say " You must get it sworn to."

Mr. CROZIER.—It might be sworn before me or somebody else.

Q. That is not the point. The point is that accounts in the affidavit are dated 1898 while the affidavit itself is dated 1894.

A. 1894 might be an error of mine, of course.

By the CHAIRMAN.—Q. A person might very easily make an error ?

A. Yes.

Hon. Mr. DAVIS.—I would like Mr. White or Mr. Crozier to explain the discrepancy.

Mr. WHITE.—I can say this—that the work in the Township of Baxter, which these accounts cover, was performed in the year 1898.

By Hon. Mr. DAVIS.—Q. You swear to that ?

A. I swear to that. I am not sworn, but I am ready to be sworn.

By Mr. MATHESON.—Q. The other presumption is this. The man took the affidavit in blank and filled it in afterwards ?

A. He filled in the affidavit as to the number of days he worked. The jurat is filled in by Mr. Crozier.

Q. He may have sworn the affidavit here in Toronto in blank and filled it out some years afterwards?

A. I know he did the work that is charged for in the account.

By Hon. Mr. DAVIS.—Q. Looking over the accounts attached to the affidavit are you prepared to swear that the work was performed in 1898?

A. In the year 1898.

Q. You are prepared to swear to that?

A. Yes, I am prepared to swear to that.

Hon. Mr. DAVIS.—That would seem to explain the matter, although the date 1894 is very peculiar.

Mr. CROZIER —Of course we are all liable to error. I might have put 1894 there by mistake, but I could not swear to that as a certainty.

Hon. Mr. DAVIS.—There is no fraud or anything wrong?

WITNESS.—There is no fraud on my part, at any rate.

By Hon. Mr. DAVIS.—Q. Mr. White, you are the responsible deputy head of the Department. I want to ask you if you think it possible for any official or any employee to get affidavits made in advance and fill them in years afterwards?

A. No.

Q. Are you sure of that?

A. He might do it, but it would be impossible for him to get paid on such an affidavit. I was personally aware that Mr. Macdonald was working there, how long he was there, and I think we have his diary showing the work.

By Mr. PARDEE —Q. Mr. White, this could not be open to the construction Colonel Matheson wishes to put on it, because the accounts for the different years are all passed?

A. Certainly.

Q. Therefore this affidavit of 1894 could not very well ring in on an 1898 account?

A. It could not.

Q. That would be utterly impossible?

A. There must be an error.

Q. It is plainly evident the affidavit must have been wrongly filled in, because an 1898 could not come in under 1894?

A. Yes, certainly.

Q. And the affidavit solely refers to the Baxter and other accounts mentioned in the document?

A. We have his diary showing where he was and what he did in each of those days, in the Department.

By Mr. MATHESON.—Q. I would like to have that diary.

A. I can produce it.

The committee then adjourned.

PUBLIC ACCOUNTS COMMITTEE ROOM,
March 17th.

The Committee met at 11 a.m., the Chairman Mr. W. A. Charlton, presiding.

Mr. AUBREY WHITE was recalled, sworn and examined.

By Mr. MATHESON.—Q. Have you brought Mr. Macdonald's diary ?

A. Yes, sir. I desire, Mr. Chairman, to make further explanation with regard to that account of Mr. Macdonald's. I might say that all these accounts are made in triplicate. One copy is sent to the audit office when the account is paid ; one copy is kept with the Woods and Forests' branch in the Department, and the other copy goes to the Accountant's branch of the Department. You have there the copy that went to the Audit Department. I have here the copies that went to the Woods and Forests' branch and to the Accountant's branch, and if you will examine the two you will find that they are exact copies of the one that went to the audit office, and that the same vouchers are attached to them. Both copies are sworn to before Mr. Crozier upon 1st October, 1898, whereas the third copy, which is before the Committee, appears to be sworn to in 1894.

By Mr. MACNISH.—Q. And the rest are 1898 ?

A. Yes. That is the explanation. I just wanted to establish that that account was correct and true.

By the CHAIRMAN.—Q. I did not know you had the accounts in triplicate. I noticed upon further examination of the accounts before the Committee that the date "1894" was clearly an error ?

A. You will see that the accounts I now produce are exact copies of the other, and that they are sworn to before Mr. Crozier on 10th October, 1898. That purports to be sworn to on 10th October, 1894.

By Mr. MATHESON.—Q. Have you Macdonald's diary ?

A. Yes, sir. His instructions are to keep a diary.

Q. You have an account of D. F. Macdonald's there ?

A. Yes, sir.

Q. What date is that for ?

A. This is for his services on the Georgian Bay between 3rd August and the 22nd November.

Q. What year ?

A. In the year 1897.

Q. How does that come to be paid in 1898 ?

A. It was a balance only paid in 1898. You will recollect that we had an early Session ; that would probably account for it. Sometimes these accounts come and they don't pass the audit office until after the end of the year, although they are in before, or perhaps the appropriation was exhausted, or something of that kind. You will find a number of cases where balances are paid in the next year.

Q. This is the diary that you have handed me ?

A. Yes, sir.

Q. Does any clerk check it over with his accountant ?

A. I suppose it would be looked through at the time, just to see that it contained the record of where he was.

Q. Does that diary not appear to be written subsequently ?

A. Well, I suppose that this would not be the book that he kept in the field.

Q. It looks as if it had been written at the same time—the whole diary ?

A. Yes.

Q. I think that is the explanation ?

A. That would be so, because he would carry a pocket diary in his pocket, and make his entries in that from day to day, and then transcribe it to this.

Q. Read the entries in the diary, the first ten days ? It commences on what date ?

A. On Friday, 26th, it commences.

Q. Of what month ?

A. November.

Q. In what year ?

A. In 1897.

Q. Read it over so that we may get an idea of the contents.

Witness read the entries of the diary for the first ten days.

Q. Now read the last five or six days, please ?

Witness read the entries in the diary from September 2nd until September 10th.

Q. Will you read the first item in the account that covers the time in the diary ?

A. "From the 25th November, 1897, to 6th June, 1898, inclusive, 164 days at \$5

Q. \$820 ?

A. Yes.

Q. There is an item of disbursements ?

A. Disbursements \$48.91. Account for work in Baxter, \$385, disbursements in connection therewith, \$82.73.

Q. He appears to get \$5 for Sundays, does he not ?

A. No, he does not.

Q. Does he not ?

A. No.

Q. 25th November to 6th June ?

A. I have not checked it, but I will undertake to say he does not, because no wood-ranger gets paid for Sundays except there are special reasons for it.

Q. I see on closer examination that he is not paid Sundays ?

A. No.

Q. What report is he preparing there?

A. It is a very elaborate report and requires a great deal of care in preparation, because it is in connection with that arbitration case that is going on between the Government and the Kanes in connection with timber, and it was made for the lawyer who is looking after the matter.

Q. That is before Mr. McBrady?

A. It is very elaborate and in detail.

C. C. JAMES, Deputy Minister of Agriculture, was called, sworn and examined.

By Mr. MATHESON.—Q. Mr. James, you are the Deputy Minister of Agriculture, are you not?

A. Yes, sir.

Q. Would you look at the item on page 461 of the Public Accounts, "C. N. Smith, printing pamphlet, *re Algoma*, \$400"?

A. Yes, sir.

Q. Do you know anything about that item?

A. I know nothing at all.

Q. Who would know about it?

A. Well, I cannot tell you that, sir.

Q. Do you know what Department authorized this payment? Did yours authorize these payments?

A. Just this pamphlet prepared for us; the tenth item "W. B. Varley, revising and editing pamphlet, 'Ontario the Premier Province,' \$50." That was under our Department.

Q. Is that the only one you have anything to do with?

A. That and Mr. Anderson.

Q. The pamphlet you have produced here (New Ontario) is not the one that was referred to, as far as you know, under the item 'C. N. Smith,' is it?

A. No, sir.

Q. And you know nothing about the item C. N. Smith?

A. Nothing at all.

Q. Have you any idea who could tell us about it?

A. No.

Q. Who is Mr. Anderson?

A. He is a farmer of Simcoe County. His Post Office is Rugby.

Q. Duncan Anderson?

A. Duncan Anderson of Rugby.

Q. Was he travelling in the Wabigoon district?

A. We sent him off to investigate all the agricultural districts in the north. He went through the Rainy River district, visited several sections between Port Arthur and Rat Portage in the vicinity of the Sault and in the Lake Temiscamingue Country.

Q. Last year?

A. Last year.

Q. In the months of May and June?

A. I think it was from May to September. May, June and July were the months in which he was inspecting.

Q. There are two vouchers there. The one you have in your hand is the voucher for his services?

A. The next sheet contains the statement of his services.

Q. I suppose this is correct? "May 16 to August 14, 1898, inclusive, 11 $\frac{2}{3}$ weeks at 6 days each, 70 days at \$5 per day, \$350?"

A. That is for his services—that includes the inspection and preparation of the report

Q. And in addition to that he gets \$118.75 for travelling expenses?

A. Yes, sir.

Q. Is there a printed report?

A. You have it in your hands now.

Q. This book?

A. That is Mr. Anderson's report.

Q. It is a book of some 24 pages is it not?

A. It is.

Q. Is this the result of his work?

A. This is the report he has given of his investigation of the north.

Q. And that cost for the getting up \$468.75 between what he received and his expenses. Did he furnish you with any further written report than this?

A. Not that I am aware of.

Q. Did you advise his being sent out? Had you anything to do with his being sent out otherwise than acting upon instructions?

A. I simply carried out instructions.

Q. Is Mr. Anderson a graduate of the Agricultural College do you know?

A. No, sir.

Q. Is he a farmer?

A. He is a farmer.

Q. Is he a surveyor?

A. He is not a surveyor that I know of,

Q. Has he been in the habit of going to the woods?

A. I cannot say as to that.

The Committee then adjourned.

PUBLIC ACCOUNTS COMMITTEE ROOM,

March 22, 1899.

The Committee met at 11 a.m., Mr. W. A. Charlton, the Chairman occupying the chair.

AUBREY WHITE, recalled and examined.

By Mr MATHESON.—Q. I am desirous of having the entries which you read the other day from D. F. Macdonald's diary appear in the records. Will you please read the entries for the first 10 days and the entries for the last 6 days?

A. The entries for the first 10 days are as follows:—

“ Thursday, November 25th, 1897, cloudy, cold and raw winds. Thanksgiving Day. I was busy all day getting ready for the woods to start ranging per Departmental order from Crown Timber Agent of Parry Sound.”

“ Friday, 26th. Raining and storming all day. Fitting out for the winter's work.”

“ Saturday, 27th. Stormy and dirty blustering weather.”

“ Sunday, 28th. Snowing all forenoon.”

“ Monday, 29th. Cloudy and cold. I went out on the train to Kearney on wood-ranging duty.”

“ Tuesday, 30th. Cold and frosty. I went on to Ravensworth, township of Bethune, to Messrs. McPherson and Laidlaw's operation. They have no camp. They operate direct from the mill boarding house.”

“ December 1st, snowing and storming all day. The men came in from their work; too rough to be out.”

“ December 2nd, milder and fine weather. Good sleighing. I returned home to Parry Sound on the evening train in obedience to a telegraph despatch from woodranger John Regan.”

“ Friday, December 3rd, 1898. Picked up my dunnage and got ready to join woodranger John Regan.”

“ Saturday, 4th, raining and hail with sleet. I left Parry Sound for Huntsville on duty.”

The entries for the last 6 days are as follows:—

“ Monday, 5th (September). Making up my report.”

“ Tuesday, 6th. Making out my report.”

“ Wednesday, 7th. Making out my report.”

“ Thursday, 8th. At my report.”

“ Friday, 9th. At my report.”

“ Saturday, 10th. Finished my report on Baxter and the islands in triplicate, and quit work on Saturday night like “ my grandfather's clock.”

Witness:—I think I explained the other day that, with reference to the last period, Mr. McDonald was engaged in making up an elaborate report for a legal case.

Q. I think you said, Mr. White, that Frank Halliday is D. F. McDonald's successor?

A. Yes, sir.

Q. Is he the Crown Timber Agent in the Parry Sound district?

A. Yes, sir.

Q. What territory does he cover?

A. He covers the districts of Muskoka and Parry Sound and part of North Ontario.

Q. That is further north ?

A. The north part of north Ontario. He also has part of the county of Simcoe—the township of Matchedash, in the county of Simcoe.

Q. Has he applied for leave at any time within 15 months ?

A. Not at any time that I recollect.

Q. Is there any understanding about holidays with officers that are paid yearly like Mr. Halliday ?

A. Well, I suppose there is not special arrangement. If he required holidays I suppose he would ask for them.

Q. What is the nature of his duties ?

A. He has the supervision of the forest ranging in that territory—that is, he instructs the rangers who are under him as to their duties, and receives reports from them, and then takes a part of the ranging work himself. He divides his district into certain divisions, apportions each man his work and then takes part of the work himself, and at the end of the season he is the man who is charged with getting all the sworn returns from the lumbermen and forwarding them to the Department. He is the medium of communication between the lumbermen and the Department.

Q. Does he look after the fire rangers ?

A. No.

Q. He has nothing to do with them ?

A. He has nothing to do with the fire ranging.

Q. He has none but the forest timber agents to look after ?

A. Only the forest rangers and cullers.

Q. Has he anything to do with looking after settlers ?

A. Oh, no, there is a Crown Lands Agent there.

Q. Halliday is the chief timber agent ?

A. The chief timber agent—what we call Crown timber agent.

Q. I suppose he gets paid by cheque ?

A. He gets a cheque each month for his monthly salary.

By Mr. CARNEGIE.—Q. I understood you to say that Mr. Halliday did not keep a diary ?

A. No.

Q. But Mr. Macdonald kept one ?

A. Yes.

Q. Why should Mr. Macdonald keep a diary and Mr. Halliday not ?

A. Mr. Halliday is a permanent official, he is paid by the year, but the other man is only paid by the day, by the number of days he is employed, and he is expected to keep a diary to show what he was doing on each day.

By Mr. MATHESON,—Q. How are the fire rangers paid ?

A. One-half of their wages is paid by the lumbermen on whose limits they are employed and the other half by the Crown Lands Department.

Q. Who appoints them ?

A. They are selected by the lumbermen and their names are submitted to the Department for approval and appointment.

Q. Are the cheques paid out to the individual himself or to the lumbermen ?

A. In some cases they are made out to the lumbermen, but as a rule to the individual rangers. You will understand that these men are moving about. They do not always remain in the same employ, and sometimes they go away before the accounts are paid here, and when they want to go the lumbermen pay them in full, so as to let them move.

Q. Are the lumbermen supposed to pay as much as the Crown pays ?

A. They pay half of whatever sum the man receives. If the man gets \$2 per day they pay \$1. If they engage a man for \$1.50 they are to pay 75 cents.

Q. Have you had any complaints from the fire rangers that the lumbermen did not pay them the full amount—that is an amount equal to what the Crown Lands Department paid ?

A. I have in one or two cases, as I said at the previous meeting of the Committee, received complaints. I investigated them and in one case I found that it was so and we made the lumberman pay up the difference—that is, we made him pay it over to the Department.

Q. How are the cullers paid ?

A. They are paid by the people who employ them.

Q. Who appoints them ?

A. They have to pass an examination before a board of cullers and then they are given certificates signed by the Commissioner of Crown Lands. That clothes them with authority to cull and then the lumbermen who require their services engage them and pay them.

Q. The lumbermen pay them ?

A. The lumbermen pay them.

Q. These are the men who measure lumber for the Crown dues ?

A. Yes.

Q. Does the Government exercise any other check over the quantity of lumber other than the affidavit of these men ?

A. There is the affidavit, as I explained the other day, of the foreman as to the number of pieces cut in his shanty, the affidavit of the culler showing the diameter and length of each log, and then there is the affidavit of the manager of the company showing the quantity that was got out in each man's shanty. These affidavits are sent into the Department with the returns. In addition to that we have such supervision as our rangers can give by going to the shanties and measuring a certain proportion of the logs and comparing an average of that proportion with the average of the culler's measurements up to the date of the visit.

Q. You say "our rangers." Do you mean the Crown timber agents ?

A. Yes, the Crown timber rangers. Some of the agents are also rangers.

Q. They are also rangers ?

A. Yes, certainly.

Q. Is it expected that they should always measure a certain quantity of the lumber at each camp?

A. The expectation is that they will measure a certain proportion in every operation. Sometimes they are not able to do it because they have not sufficient staff to reach all the camps, but there are cases in which the owner of a limit has a contract and in those cases the contractor generally has a culler of his own to check the lumberman's culler. In those cases we have a double check. We have the check of the contractor and we have our own check such as it is.

By Mr. REID.—Q. Who are the men that constitute the board of examiners?

A. They are selected by the Commissioner of Crown Lands as occasion arises for the appointment of a board. The course pursued is to select one experienced lumberman as a member of the commission and then two officers of the Crown Lands Department. Mr. McWilliams has usually been selected as being the supervising ranger of the Province. Associated with him is some other Crown timber ranger or agent.

Q. What is the nature of the examination?

A. There is a theoretical examination, and a practical examination as well. They are given certain papers with questions upon them and they have to answer these questions in writing within a certain time, and in addition to that they are taken to a lot of logs and asked to measure those logs, and then the logs are sawn up in a sawmill, and the accuracy of the measurement is tested in that way.

By Mr. MATHESON.—Q. When are these commissions appointed?

A. They are appointed from time to time.

Q. Are they cullers?

A. No, they are not cullers. They are appointed by the Commissioner of Crown Lands. As I said just now, the usual practice is to select Mr. McWilliams who is supervising ranger of the Province as one member of the board, and some other Crown timber agent or ranger and then an experienced lumberman. These three constitute the board.

Q. The examination is mainly, as I understand it, to test their ability to measure a certain quantity of logs, and the commission is appointed having regard to that one point?

A. They are examined, also, as to their theoretical knowledge of measurements—how they ought to be made and that sort of thing. In addition to that they have to give satisfactory evidence that they are British subjects, and that they are men of good character.

By Mr. REID.—Q. Do you find cases where cullers remain in the employment of the lumbermen for a long period of time?

A. These men are employed from year to year by different lumbermen. It is not often you will find the same culler in the employ of the same lumberman for any length of time.

Q. I know that men have worked for lumbermen for years.

A. That might be in particular cases, but the rule is to the contrary. The exception is for them to stay a long time.

By Mr. MATHESON.—Q. What is the present rule of measurement?

A. The Doyle.

Q. What was the former rule?

A. The Scribner rule.

Q. Take a thousand feet of lumber. What would be the difference in the return between the Doyle rule and the Scribner rule? Would the Doyle rule make it less?

A. It depends upon the size of the logs. Below a certain average the Doyle rule does not give as much as the Scribner does. Above a certain average the Doyle gives more than the Scribner.

Q. What is the average?

A. I think from about 20 inches, or perhaps 18 inches, down, the Scribner would be more favorable to the Crown Lands Department than the Doyle. From 28 inches up the Doyle would be more favorable to the Department than the Scribner. I do not want to speak positively, but I think that would be about right.

Q. When was the rule changed?

A. It was changed, I think, somewhere about 1876 or 1877, when the Honorable Mr. Pardee was Commissioner of Crown Lands. It was before I came into the Department, and I think it was in 1877.

Q. At the time of the change or previous to the time of the change the size of the lumber taken out was very much larger than it is at present, was it not?

A. Yes.

Q. So that the change was more favorable to the lumbermen?

A. In the sense that they do not have to pay duty on so much as they did under the Scribner rule. But I was going to say that in addition to that the timber taken out now is very much more faulty than the timber taken out at that period. The lumbermen cut very much closer than they did then and the consequence is that the average is reduced.

Q. On a 20 inch log, what difference would there be between the Doyle rule and the Scribner rule? How much smaller would the Doyle be?

A. I cannot carry that in my head. If I had the ready reckoners here I could answer the question in a moment.

BY MR. LOUGHIN.—Q. About 9 per cent is it not?

A. You can calculate the Doyle rule but you cannot calculate the Scribner rule.

BY MR. MATHESON.—Q. I suppose on a 15 inch log you would be likely to have more difference than on a 20 inch.

A. Yes. As you go down the difference increases.

Q. Is it as much as one-third less on a 15 inch log?

A. Oh, no; I don't think so.

Q. It seems to me that Mr. Beatty, of Leeds, has figured out something like that?

A. Of course, with all due deference to Mr. Beatty's figuring, it was largely theoretical.

BY HON. MR. HARCOURT.—Q. You remember all this being discussed years ago? It was a question as to the Scribner or the other?

A. The change was made before I came into the Department.

Q. Mr. Caldwell will recollect the matter being discussed.

A. I might say we are continually having presented to us this state of affairs: that the logs do not saw out the actual quantity that was returned for them. People making that complaint come to us and say: "We are prepared to show you our books and account for every log that came in and every foot of lumber that was cut and we do not get as much out of it as would appear from the returns."

By HON. MR. HARCOURT.—Q. They say the difference is more like one-tenth than one-third?

A. It varies; there is a difference in each diameter. Of course if I had known that you were going to examine me upon the question I would have brought the two books and shown the difference between the two rules.

FRANK HALLIDAY, called, sworn and examined:—

By MR. MATHESON.—Q. You are Mr. Frank Halliday, I believe?

A. Yes, sir.

Q. I believe you are the Crown Timber Agent for the districts of Parry Sound and Muskoka?

A. Yes, sir.

Q. When were you appointed?

A. Some three years ago last January.

Q. That would be in January, 1896?

A. It is three years ago last January.

Q. How long have you been in the employ of the Government?

A. Some 18 years or better.

Q. That is since 1881, I suppose?

A. About that date.

Q. What was your first employment?

A. In the Department?

Q. For the Government?

A. I was assistant ranger to S. M. Johnson in the Ottawa district.

Q. What was your next position?

A. I was then sent to the Mississippi district.

Q. What time was that?

A. Some two years, I think, after my appointment.

Q. Give the year?

A. I could not give the dates just now.

Q. I do not want to tie you down to the year exactly.

A. I do not remember just now. If I had thought that I would have been questioned on this I could have given you day and date.

Q. It would be about 1883, would it not?

A. Yes, about that time,

Q. How long were you there?

A. I was there until I removed to the Parry Sound district.

Q. That is up to three years ago ?

A. Up to three years ago.

Q. What was your employment there ?

A. Forest ranging.

Q. Were you paid a fixed salary when you were appointed timber agent for the Parry Sound district ?

A. I have been paid an annual salary since three years ago last January and have devoted my whole time and attention to the work of the Department.

Q. Were you paid an annual salary before that ?

A. Not before that.

Q. I believe you ran for the Legislature several times ?

A. I did one time.

Q. You ran against Mr. Reid, of Addington ?

A. Mr. Reid, of Addington, yes.

Q. In 1890 you ran against Mr. Reid.

A. Yes.

Q. Had you been Crown timber agent previous to that ?

A. I had not been Crown timber agent. I was forest ranger previous to that.

Q. Up to within a few days of the election ?

A. Up to within about a month of the election.

Q. And when were you appointed after ?

A. The following season.

Q. Appointed in the fall, I suppose ?

A. Yes. The forest rangers are appointed annually from year to year.

Q. Did you contest Addington against Mr. Reid in 1894 ?

A. Yes.

Q. Were you a bush ranger up to within a short time before that ?

A. Yes.

Q. You were re-appointed immediately afterwards ?

A. Re-appointed the following season.

Q. Were you in the County of Addington during the election of 1898 ?

A. Was I in the county ?

Q. Yes, the County of Addington.

A. During the election of 1898 ?

Q. Yes, or at any time previous to it.

A. No, sir ; I was not.

Q. Were you in the County of North Hastings?

A. No, sir; I was not. I have not been in the County of North Hastings for over ten years.

Q. Were you in the County of Addington in the last ten years?

A. I have been in Addington.

Q. Were you there at the time of the last Dominion election in 1896?

A. I voted at the Dominion election in 1896.

Q. Do you own property there?

A. I own property there.

Q. Did you as a matter of fact get some forty names struck off the roll in the rear of the county in 1896?

A. No, sir; I did not.

Q. Are you aware of some forty names being struck off?

A. I do not know where there were forty.

Q. Had you heard of it?

A. I heard there were some names struck off, how many I could not say.

Q. Had you anything to do with their being struck off?

A. Nothing whatever.

Q. Did you take any part in the Parry Sound election?

A. No part whatever but vote.

Q. Did you take any part in the Muskoka election?

A. No part whatever.

Q. You have heard Mr. White's evidence about your duties?

A. Yes.

Q. That is what you understand by them?

A. That is what I understand by them.

Q. It is your duty to look after the bush rangers and the cullers?

A. The wood rangers that are under my charge and the cullers that are scaling the timber cut in my division.

Q. Are you in the habit of checking the cut of the cullers?

A. Yes, we check it.

Q. That is, you make a check on each lumberman?

A. I make a check on each lumber operation.

Q. Do you measure part of the lumber in each case as far as you can?

A. Yes.

Q. Would it be possible for a lumberman under your jurisdiction to cut a large amount of lumber without making proper returns?

A. It might be possible if the manager, foreman, clerk and culler would perjure themselves. It might be possible to give a false return as to a slight discrepancy in pieces. It would be impossible to give a false return in regard to measurement.

Q. You are supposed to be a careful man looking after your duties—I am not speaking of other men—would it be possible for any lumberman over whom you have oversight to take out ten million or fifteen million feet without your knowing about it?

A. Well I consider I would know about it—I consider I would know it.

Q. I should think you ought to if you were looking after your business.

A. Yes.

Q. You think it would have been impossible that such a transaction as that of the Moore Lumber Company could have occurred under your jurisdiction? You know about that case.

A. I have heard of it; yes.

Q. You think under your management it would be impossible to repeat that?

A. Well, Col. Matheson, where there are a very large quantity of logs cut there could be a discrepancy in the number of pieces. It would be a pretty difficult matter to keep an accurate record where all the men in the employ of the firm would perjure themselves, as I have already stated, for the logs are dumped into lakes and dumped into rivers and thrown over bluffs and piled up into large piles. Then it is a very difficult matter sometimes to get an accurate count of the logs delivered on the ice for the rangers are not there at all times and the logs are being dumped during the whole season.

Q. Do you say, Mr. Halliday, that under the management at present it would not be possible for that irregularity to be repeated?

A. No.

Q. You don't say that?

A. I say it is not repeated.

Q. It is not possible to repeat it under your careful supervision?

A. Yes.

Q. So there must have been gross carelessness under D. F. Macdonald?

A. I cannot say; I do not know.

Q. You think if you had been there it would not have happened?

A. Circumstances alter cases. I do not know the circumstances; I am not prepared to answer that.

Q. Did you vote in Muskoka?

A. I did not.

Q. Were you in Muskoka during the time of the election?

A. I was in Muskoka.

Q. In the month of February, 1898?

A. In the month of February in connection with my ranging duties.

Q. What part of Muskoka were you in ?

A. I was in the townships of Freeman and Conger—at least I think those townships are in the district of Muskoka. I am not altogether positive as to the dividing line between the two districts.

Q. What were you doing during January and February ?

A. Attending to my ranging duties and the other business of the Department.

Q. It is a curious thing, Mr. Halliday, that in your account for disbursements here there quite a considerable number of items for November and December. There is one thing on the 1st January for log rules and stamps ?

A. Yes.

Q. Log rules, \$3.75, and stamps, \$1 ; but, except that, between the 30th December and 1st March, you charge no items for disbursements ?

A. Simply because I was in the woods, and you will understand, Col. Matheson, that I find my own team and feed my own team, and I am in the woods during these months. At the periods where you see no disbursements I am in the woods and I charge nothing. I do not charge my hotel bill or anything of that kind.

By Mr. LOUGHIN.—Q. You live on the lumbermen ?

A. Well, I don't know that. I pay the lumbermen for my keep. As a rule you will find some lumbermen who do not charge and you find lumbermen that do.

By Mr. MATHESON.—Q. It is a curious thing that all during the year there are items charged for railway fare and telegraphing, but for January and February and up to 16th March there is only one item, \$4.75 ?

A. I gave that to the Department as my legitimate expenses.

Q. I suppose you stay with the lumbermen for a month at a time ?

A. I do not, sir.

Q. How long ?

A. I stay with the lumbermen while my duties require it.

Q. How long ?

A. Sometimes a day ; sometimes two or three days ; perhaps not more than three days.

Q. They never charge you ?

A. Sometimes they do, and sometimes they don't. In every case I offer to pay, and if a man does not take it, we cannot compel him to.

Q. You think it is right for you to accept hospitality from them ?

A. I consider that if they won't accept pay I can't compel them.

Q. Have you a brother in the employment of the Department ?

A. There is a brother in the employ of the Department.

Q. What is his name ?

A. James.

Q. What is his occupation ?

A. He is ranging in the Ottawa district.

Q. What territory does he cover ?

A. I cannot tell you. He is under S. M. Johnston, Renfrew.

Q. Do you know whether that extends to North Hastings ?

A. I cannot say.

Q. Do you know if he covers Addington ?

A. He covers a portion of Addington.

Q. Do you know whether he was in the election last year ?

A. I do not.

Q. Will you swear you do not know ?

A. I will swear positively I don't know.

Q. Were you in the hall when these votes were struck off Palmerston and Addington ?

A. What revision do you mean ?

Q. Before the election of 1896 for the Dominion ?

A. Which election do you say ?

Q. Or before 1891, it was ?

A. In the revision in connection—

Q. In connection with the Dominion election of 1891 ?

A. I was at a revision where there was some struck off.

By Mr. LOUGHIN.—Q. Ten years ago ?

A. Yes; nine or ten years ago ?

By Mr. MATHESON.—Q. Had you any votes put on ?

A. I had not votes put on ?

Q. Was not Mr. White brought down from Toronto to show they were not qualified ?

A. I do not know.

Q. Was not some official brought down ?

A. There was an official brought down.

Q. Do you swear you had nothing to do with putting these men on ?

A. I swear I had nothing to do with putting these men on.

Q. Then you are pretty much maligned ?

A. Probably I am. You know the devil is not as black as he is painted.

By the CHAIRMAN.—Q. You stated that a fraud like that of the Moore Lumber Company could happen if the three men engaged in the measurement of logs perjured themselves ?

A. If the four men all perjure themselves—that is the manager, the foreman, the clerk and the culler.

Q. Under your management it would not happen only under those circumstances ?
A. Only under those circumstances.

By Mr. LOUGHIN.—Q. Do you think it would be impossible for a steal of that extent to take place where the concern takes out 36 or 40 million feet of lumber a year ?

A. It could be done provided all the officials of that company would perjure themselves and it would be a very difficult matter for a ranger to go and accurately give account of that number of pieces. As I have already described, these logs are dumped into lakes, rivers and creeks and piled up in such a way as to prevent giving an accurate count.

By Mr. MATHESON.—Q. You think under your management fraud could not happen to such an extent ?

A. I consider that I give all the operations a very close supervision and I do not think that that quantity of lumber would escape my notice.

By Mr. REID.—Q. There are generally two cullers go together ?

A. In some cases two scalers and in some cases one.

Q. Do you not think it would be better for the Government to employ one and the lumbermen the other and have them go together ?

A. I do not think so. Under the present system the Government and the Crown Lands Department have full control of the scalers of the Province and where a scaler is found not doing his duty he is at once suspended.

Q. And his license cancelled ?

A. And his license cancelled.

By Mr. EILBER.—Q. I understand it would be necessary in order to have false returns that the four men should perjure themselves ?

A. Yes ; four men would have to perjure themselves.

Q. Is it not a fact that the culler is the only man that actually measures the logs ?

A. The culler is the only man who actually measures the logs.

Q. And he makes a return to——?

A. He makes an independent return of his own.

Q. Who to ?

A. To myself or some of the rangers.

Q. How do you make out that the other three men in the shanty would have to perjure themselves when they do not see any of the logs ?

A. In the first place, the forman of a camp has to make an affidavit—a sworn affidavit—as to the quantity and the number of pieces he has cut. The clerk who keeps the record makes an affidavit as to the accuracy of that record.

Q. And how does he ascertain that accuracy ?

A. It is obtained by count from the men every night—from the cutters, skidders and haulers. We have three men cutting, skidding and hauling and we have the scaler's account to check.

Q. Is what they usually call the banking system practised ?

A. In some cases it is, and in some cases it is not.

Q. Explain what the banking system is ?

A. It is where the cutters are chopping. They calculate to return so many logs as cut during the day. They may get a wet day when perhaps they cannot work all day, and they will have a bank, and draw from that bank in order to give in the day cut on the evening of the wet day when they are not working.

Q. Are the townships of Wilson and McConkey in your district ?

A. Yes.

Q. Who is the forest ranger there ?

A. Myself and Mr. Wm. McGowan.

Q. He comes from the Ottawa district ?

A. No ; he comes from the Parry Sound district.

Q. Have there been very many complaints from that vicinity as to settlers not being able to get pine culls for making shingles for their houses ?

A. Very few ; allow me to explain. In the townships of Barrie and Wilson which are held under license by Turner & Fisher there is a very small and limited settlement ; in fact, there is very nearly a dense pine forest and the country is practically unfit for cultivation.

Q. You know there are four townships there ? The other three townships are pretty well settled ?

A. Yes. There are some townships to the north pretty well settled.

Q. Is it not a fact that a large number of these settlers at the county corners have represented that they have gone up there and tried to get some bolt timber and been stopped from taking it ?

A. That is a mistake.

Q. It has not come to your knowledge ?

A. If it has been done it has been done to a very limited extent.

By Mr. MATHESON.—Q. The check upon fraud then, really depends on one man—the man who measures the timber ?

A. No.

Q. The other man simply swears to his return ?

A. No. The foreman swears to the returns—to the day returns and the number of pieces cut in that operation.

By Mr. REID.—Q. The amount of timber in these pieces only one man knows ?

A. That is it, the amount of timber.

By Mr. MATHESON.—Q. So there might be a good deal of fraud through that one man ?

A. No fraud, as I say, as far as measurements are concerned, for we check his measurements and ascertain that his measurements are accurate.

Q. What quantity of timber is there in your district of Parry Sound and Muskoka and the north part of Ontario ? What quantity of pine timber is there, do you estimate, in those districts not under license ?

A. It is all under license except what is held by deed.

Q. Have you been in the Ottawa district?

A. Yes.

Q. What part of the Ottawa district do you know?

A. I have been all over the Ottawa district—from the headwaters of Temiscamingue to the mouth.

Q. Is there any large quantity of pine timber in the Ottawa district not under license?

A. Yes. A large acreage of Crown timber land.

Q. Where is it?

A. West of Lake Temiscamingue and north of Lake Temiscamingue.

Q. The south of Lake Temiscamingue is pretty well under license is it not?

A. South of Lake Temiscamingue is the Ottawa River and it is under license five miles back from the river, and in one or two instances ten miles back from the river, and then to the west of that it is an area of unsurveyed unlicensed Crown land.

Q. Is that south of the C.P.R.?

A. North of the C.P.R.

Q. South of the C.P.R. is pretty well under license, is it not, as a rule?

A. I am not in a position to say as to that, Col. Matheson, when you get west of Markstay and that section of country.

Q. Where is Markstay?

A. West of North Bay and west of Sudbury.

By Mr. LOUGHIN.—Q. Not west of Sudbury.

A. East of Sudbury.

By Mr. MATHESON—Q. As far as you know the country it is pretty well under license south of the C.P.R.?

A. South of the C.P.R.

Q. That is east of Markstay. As far as you know, the only tract not under license of crown timber is west and north of Lake Temiscamingue?

A. Yes.

Q. Is it between that and Temogamingue?

A. North and west of Temogamingue.

Q. How far west of Temiscamingue?

A. I cannot tell you exactly. It must be 40 or 50 miles.

Q. Have you been in the country west of Temogamingue?

A. Not west of Temogamingue. I have been through a very considerable portion of the country between Temogamingue and Temiscamingue.

Q. How many square miles do you think there are in the district west of Ottawa under license?

A. I have not been in that country a sufficient length of time to answer the question.

Q. Is the timber mixed with hardwood through that country?

A. It is slightly mixed with hardwood in sections.

Q. Do you know any other part of the Province where there is pine timber?

A. Do I know which?

Q. Do you know any part towards Lake Superior in which there is pine timber?

A. No; I am not familiar with that country, but from my knowledge of the Temiscamingue and Temogamingue districts there is a vast area of green pine there.

Q. Have you been north of the height of land?

A. I have not.

By Mr. REID.—Q. What is your opinion of the second growth of pine? I hear a good deal of talk about it in our district. Do you think it will ever amount to much?

A. I do. I consider that the second growth of timber that is now growing upon portions of our Crown timber lands that have been cut over and burned over, if we can protect those portions of this Province from destruction by fire, in 50 years or less there will be a second growth of timber.

By Mr. MATHESON.—Q. What kind?

A. White pine.

By Hon. Mr. HARCOURT.—Q. Merchantable.

A. Of a marketable and merchantable diameter.

By Mr. REID.—Q. In 50 years?

A. Or less.

Q. I understand the reforestry commission says 80 years.

A. For we find that in many sections of the Province a young pine is now fairly well advanced.

By Mr. MATHESON,—Q. Does pine follow pine where the land has been burned over?

A. That is my experience.

Q. Other lumbermen think otherwise?

A. Lumbermen may think, but I am speaking from personal experience.

Q. But do you know?

A. I have heard the lumbermen express those opinions, but I am speaking from personal experience.

Q. Where do you know such a tract?

A. On the Madawaska a tributary of the Ottawa, on the Bonnechere, on the Peter-
wawa, and many sections of the Georgian Bay.

Q. Has that country been burned over?

A. Burned over and it is now covered with a dense growth of green pine.

Q. Is it the true pine?

A. The true pine.

Q. Not the jackpine?

A. No: not the jackpine. You find the jackpine or pitchpine in sections of the Georgian Bay.

By Mr. REID.—Q. Take the Addington road, the Snow road, do you think the second growth of pine there will ever amount to anything?

A. Yes sir, I do.

Q. I cannot see anything of it.

A. Well, Mr. Reid, if you will go down to the township of McNab in the county of Renfrew that was settled some 60 or 70 years ago—

Q. But this is in Addington.

A. Allow me; I will come to that later. You will find that the forests in that country were cut away forty years ago and wherever the young pine was left they are to-day cutting sawlogs—the settlers are cutting a second growth of pine. I can take you up into the townships of Hardy and Patterson and Mills where we have large areas of young pine. It is evident the whole country has been devastated by fire and yet to-day it is covered with a dense growth of young pine from seventy to eighty feet high and from 6 to 15 inches on the stump. In the township of Clarendon, in portions of the township of Barrie, the south half of the township of Abinger, a portion of the township of Denbigh and all that whole country there to the Madawaska, it is all covered with a lesser growth of young pine.

Q. Jackpine?

A. White and red pine.

By Mr. MATHESON.—Q. I am glad to hear you say so. The settlers say exactly the reverse?

A. There is no jackpine grows in that country. I have never seen a tree of it.

Q. The settlers say there is not a stick of true pine there.

A. The settlers don't know the surroundings.

Q. You know better than the men who live there?

A. I have been there, lived there for many years and I can assure you there is not a tree of jackpine growing in that country.

Q. You think it is all true pine? It will all make good red or white pine.

A. If not destroyed by fire.

Q. Is it white or red pine?

A. White pine and red pine, chiefly red pine.

Q. I have questioned a number from up there and they say exactly the opposite.

A. I took close personal supervision of that section of country. I will give you an instance. Mr. Caldwell, you know McNicholl, who has a small sawmill on the Clyde river in your district. I was at his mill one day years ago and he was then cutting a second growth of pine in his fields and round the borders of his clearing. There were two twelve feet logs and the butt of the log was fourteen inches and the top was ten inches. I asked him if he could inform me how long it took the tree to grow and he said "I have lived here since that tree grew and that tree has grown in thirty years."

Q. How thick was it?

A. The butt of the log was fourteen inches and it was ten inches at the top.

By Mr. REID.—Q. Take the county of Addington. How many trees per acre of the young pine you spoke of would it average?

A. That would be a difficult question to answer. There are sections where the timber grows very thickly and other sections where it grows more sparsely. That section of country has been twice devastated by fire or at least portions of it, and where a country has been devastated a second time by fire then the next growth of pine timber is more sparse.

By Mr. EILBER.—Q. You are a strong believer in the reforesting of this country?

A. Well, in sections.

Q. Take the section from McKellar clean up to Holland Harbor, do you not think there is a section of the country the Government should reforest?

A. I do not know. There is perhaps too much settlement in that country for reforestation.

Q. Going further north, what do you think of the Pickering Hills

A. The Pickering hills will reforest themselves naturally.

Q. Do you not think it would be a great deal better if the Government were to carry out reforestation there?

A. I think not. I do not think there is any necessity for incurring any expense for reforestation in sections such as the Pickering hills for they will reforest naturally.

By Mr. CALDWELL —Q. About the chances of defrauding the Government in the respect to the logs that are cut. There is oversight of the limits?

A. Of every lumberman.

Q. There is oversight over the log-cutters, over the skidders, and as they draw these logs?

A. Yes.

Q. Every night the entry of what the log cutters have done is put down in the book?

A. It is put down in the book.

Q. Of the skidders as well?

A. Of the skidders as well.

Q. The amount totalled up as soon as the hauling season is at an end?

A. Yes.

Q. Unless there are three men in collusion it is impossible for any fraud to take place?

A. Yes.

Q. As to the number of pieces?

A. Yes.

Q. Your ranger takes what he considers an average for the whole of the logs and measures so many of them in each lumber operation?

A. Yes.

Q. And multiplies that by the number and he gets a pretty close estimate as to the cut?

A. A pretty close estimate.

Q. And you depend upon the affidavits to substantiate it ?

A. Yes.

By the CHAIRMAN.—Q. Did you say you had no personal knowledge of the extent of the pineries north of lake Huron and west of lake Temogamingue ?

A. No personal knowledge.

Q. Or the Rainy River District ?

A. Or the Rainy River District.

Q. Or any of these western districts.

A. Or any of the western districts.

By Mr. MATHESON.—Q. Do you know the members of the Moore Lumber Company ?

A. I am not familiar with them.

Q. Do you know Sheehan ?

A. I don't know the man.

Q. Do you know he was the book-keeper ?

A. I don't know any of the men who were connected with it.

By Mr. CLARKE.—Q. You were examining all over New Ontario which is a very extensive district ? What are the chances of settlement after the pine timber is all cut ? How much land would be available for settlement ?

A. I would say one-third.

Q. One third is good arable land ?

A. It is suitable for cultivation.

Q. That is good land which settlers could make a good living upon by farming, but there is two-thirds upon which they could not do that ?

A. Yes.

By Mr. CARNEGIE.—Q. Is the Algonquin Park or any part of it in your district ?

A. A small portion.

Q. The majority of the park is under license now ?

A. I understand so, for pine only.

Q. You said a few moments ago, I think, that the fire almost invariably followed the lumbermen, did you not ?

A. I did not ; you must have misunderstood me. Not in all cases, but as a rule the fire is more apt to devastate a country that has been lumbered over than a country that has not been lumbered over.

Q. You have been through the park, I suppose ?

A. I have been through the park.

Q. The pine is pretty thick in various quarters ?

A. In sections, but there is a very large area of hardwood. Speaking of forest fires, the mode of cutting the timber previous to Confederation and after Confederation has been the most fruitful source of forest fires in the Province. The lumbermen of that

date ran over all the respective timber limits, selecting the choice trees and taking only the choice portions of those trees, and by cutting roads, building skidways and slashing the woods, they left a fire bed which has been the means of destroying large areas of pine forests by fire.

By Mr. REID.—Q. Do you not think there has been a lot of timber lost in consequence of the regulations allowing lumbermen to go through and re-cut.

A. Not of late years. I am speaking of a period thirty years ago or less than thirty years ago. For the last twenty years the lumbermen have been cleaning up the country. They have been cutting and taking all the merchantable timber, all the sound timber, as well as the unsound timber in the localities operated by them.

Q. All the lumbermen do that?

A. Yes.

By Mr. EILBER.—Q. Take for instance the townships of McConkey and Wilson, there is very valuable timber there, basswood, black ash and birch?

A. There is a considerable quantity of birch, but the quantity of basswood is limited.

Q. What are the lumbermen doing there to avoid this timber being destroyed by fire?

A. The lumbermen are not operating in birch, or basswood, or oak in that country. All the lumbermen are cutting pine, and in the sections they cut over they cut clean and take all with the exception of the small timber.

By Mr. REID.—Q. Judging of the present cut, what is your opinion of the lifetime of our timber?

A. That is a pretty difficult question to answer.

Q. I just want your opinion?

A. We have certainly timber for the next fifty years to come.

Q. At the present rate of cutting?

A. Yes, at the present rate of cutting, and if we can protect the young forests of this Province from destruction by fire the whole future timber supply of this Province is solved.

Q. They tell me twenty years?

A. Well, they are mistaken.

By the CHAIRMAN.—Q. How do you fix the time at fifty years for the Province without having any knowledge?

A. I am just giving my opinion.

By Mr. EILBER.—Q. Have you ever studied the history of the Black Forest in Germany?

A. I have not, sir.

By Mr. CARNEGIE.—Q. Do you not think there is a great probability of a great portion of the Algonquin park being burned over?

A. I think not.

Q. What is to prevent it?

A. Well, there is a very efficient staff there to prevent it.

Q. The settlers surrounding the park are very much opposed to it being set apart as a park?

A. There are very few settlers in the neighborhood of the park.

Q. Take, for instance, south of the Algonquin park, say in the township of Sherbourne and through there. There are a number of settlers who are hunters, and they were very much opposed to this being set apart as a park, because it was their hunting ground?

A. I have no knowledge of that.

Q. Well, I say that know for a fact. Knowing it to be a fact, might there not be a feeling that would incline them in going about there to drop a match or something of that kind, and in that way would there not be great danger?

A. I don't know that those men would be inclined to do that. I know several hunters in that section of country—I have met them in the woods—and I have found them to be honorable fellows, and I think they realize this fact that by having game in the park that game will scatter out and they will get their portion of it in the surrounding country. I do not think that the hunters are men who would do what you suggest.

Q. I had a talk with a great many of them, and they say the park will undoubtedly be burned over?

A. Well, I do not think so. Last season was a very dry season, and there were no fires in the park. The railway company, the licensees, and the park wardens are all careful, and certainly there was no fire last season.

Q. I understood Mr. Hardy to say the other day that all along the line of the railway has been burnt?

A. That is a mistake. There is a small portion burned at or near Whitefish Lake on the upper waters of the Madawaska, but only a very small area.

Q. Was it not burned near Canoe Lake?

A. Not to any extent.

The witness was then discharged.

C. C. JAMES, recalled and examined by Mr. MATHESON.—Q. With regard to the payment of \$400 to C. N. Smith of the Sault *Express* for a pamphlet re Algoma, some correspondence went through your hands?

A. Yes, Col. Matheson.

Q. You have in your hands the correspondence of the Department regarding it?

A. There is a letter here addressed to me, dated February 3rd.

Q. From that correspondence how many pamphlets was C. N. Smith empowered to get up? It speaks of 10,000 there in one place.

A. Well, as I stated the other day, I know nothing whatever about it.

Q. Is there a letter there with Mr. Hardy's, the Attorney-General's, authority to pay C. N. Smith \$400 on account of the pamphlet? Will you read the letter please?

A. The whole letter or the memorandum on it?

Q. Read the letter.

A. It as follows:

TORONTO, February 3, 1898.

DEAR SIR,—I regret having to trouble you again about the payment of \$400 or thereabouts which the Bank of Commerce at Sault Ste Marie, expected would be coming to one C. N. Smith, publisher of the *Sault Ste Express* about this time. You will remember coming up to see me about this some two months ago, when you were kind enough to say that you would speak to the Minister of Agriculture respecting the matter.

Witness : Mr. Anderson met me in the hall the other day with a letter in regard to this matter and I told him I knew nothing about it. The letter goes on to say

The bank has advanced \$400 to C. N. Smith upon the understanding that they shall be repaid out of certain moneys which would be payable to him by the Government. There is no doubt that such an arrangement was made as the letter is initialed by the Attorney-General.

I am, dear Sir,

Yours respectfully,

(Sgd.) W. N. ANDERSON,
Assistant Treasurer.

Q. There is a note endorsed on the letter, signed by the Attorney-General ; read that please.

A. Let cheque issue and charge to miscellaneous vote re colonization pamphlets.

A. S. HARDY.

C. C. JAMES, Esq.,
Deputy Minister of Agriculture.

Q. Other than this transaction, you know nothing about the matter ?

A. I know nothing about it.

Q. You don't know the quantity of pamphlets ordered or the price ?

A. I know nothing about it whatever. Not coming under my observation or anything of that kind, I simply returned it to the Treasury Department.

Q. Have you ever seen the pamphlet ?

A. I don't know what the pamphlet is.

Q. Have you ever seen any pamphlet published by C. N. Smith, so far as you know, on Algoma ?

A. The only Algoma pamphlet I have seen is one published a couple of years ago entitled—

Q. It is certainly not this one.

A. Entitled "Algoma Farmers Testify." I think that was reprinted several times.

Q. This is published since then ?

A. I have seen no Algoma pamphlet since this transaction came up or since I was asked about it. I do not know why the letters were directed to me, I am sure.

The Committee then adjourned.

PUBLIC ACCOUNTS COMMITTEE ROOM,

March 24, 1899.

The Committee met at 11 a.m., the chairman occupying the chair.

F. J. SLEIGHTHOLM was called, sworn and examined.

By Mr. CARNEGIE.—Q You are the Superintendent of the Western Dairy School ?

A. I am, sir.

Q. When were you appointed ?

A. If I mistake not, in December, 1896.

Q. What previous experience had you in dairy matters before you became superintendent of the school ?

A. I had my course at Guelph. I had three years' work in connection with that, that is, lecturing on practical work and dairying and my own private experience.

Q. You are a practical buttermaker. Are you also a practical cheesemaker ?

A. Not to the same extent or in the same sense ; I have made some cheese.

Q. But of course you have a general knowledge ? You would be quite capable, of course, of giving practical instruction yourself in butter making if not in cheese making ?

A. Yes, sir ; I think so.

Q. You have with you some experts in both these lines, have you not ?

A. Yes.

Q. You have one buttermaker and two cheesemakers ?

A. No, sir ; we are not making cheese there now.

Q. I see in last year's public accounts it says Henry Smith, instructor in butter-making, W. Waddell, cheesemaking and J. E. Crealy, assistant cheesemaker ?

A. No, it is not absolutely correct. There is a misnomer in the work of Mr. J. E. Crealy. The wording should be milk testing. He is really instructor in milk testing. Otherwise it is correct.

Q. Your salary is, I see, \$1,200 ?

A. Yes, sir.

Q. Mr. Smith's is \$650 ?

A. Yes, sir.

Q. Mr. Crealy, you say his work is simply milk testing ?

A. That was not all his work, but it was his chiefest instruction work.

Q. Instruction in milk testing ?

A. Yes.

Q. I see you have a second assistant here, for a short time. What was his work ? His name is F. A. Leak ?

A. Oh, yes ; he was in there this winter taking in milk and assisting generally as an assistant buttermaker.

Q. Mr. Waddell is a cheesemaker?

A. Not now.

Q. Well he was in 1898?

A. Yes.

Q. Mr. Waddell received \$228. What period was he employed for?

A. Well, now, I cannot just tell you offhand what that covers—how long that covers. I presume—

Q. Take a copy of the Public Accounts and look at it. What would Mr. Waddell's work be?

A. He was instructor in cheesemaking at this time. We had him, if I mistake not, a little over three months. I presume that is the item. We paid him during the time he was there, if I mistake not, \$70 a month—I am not very positive on that point. We did the first year. I would not be positive.

Q. Is there any fee for instruction or entrance fee or anything of that kind?

A. We have an entrance fee of \$1.

Q. Is this usually collected or is it not?

A. It is always collected, except under such rules as say that it shall not be.

Q. How are your terms arranged? For instance, supposing a student goes there who desires to take out a certificate. What time is he required to spend there in order to do so?

A. When we offered certificates, they were given, if I mistake not, not under four weeks. Well, I am not sure, either four or six weeks.

Q. It would not be longer than six weeks, however?

A. Not for certificate work.

Q. What is your term now?

A. We did not offer certificates in our regular course this year.

Q. What is the reason of that?

A. The chief reason I had in view was simply this: We offer diplomas and we don't want a student to use the student's certificate without a diploma.

Q. How long does it require to take a diploma?

A. Eight weeks is our course, but that does not cover all diploma work, you will understand. I don't wish to be understood as saying we offer diplomas for eight weeks' simple work. That is our course.

Q. Have you any shorter course? For instance, in connection with the Kingston Dairy School, I notice that some of their courses are only two weeks?

A. Yes, we allow the same privilege.

Q. How many students had you at the school, can you recollect, during 1896?

A. No; I cannot state positively, but I know it was in the immediate neighborhood of 30.

Q. About 30?

A. Yes.

Q. Of those how many graduated, do you remember ?

A. No, I cannot answer that question.

Q. Well, some graduated, did they not ?

A. Yes, I recollect they did ; but the majority we had were short course students.

Q. About two weeks ?

A. Two and four weeks and six weeks. Some stayed three or four months, but the majority did not.

Q. The majority of the 30 were short course students, were they ?

A. Yes ; I recollect they were.

Q. During what portion of the year would the majority of these students be attending ?

A. Oh, during the winter months.

Q. They probably came about December and the course would extend until—

A. The end of March and April.

Q. How many students attended the school during 1897 ?

A. I cannot answer that correctly either, but I remember this, that our average for the first three sessions was just about 30—in the immediate neighborhood of 30, as near as I can give it to you without having my book.

Q. What would you call the first three seasons ?

A. Well, our regular course extends from November to April.

By Mr. MATHESON.—Q. You mean by three seasons three years, and each winter you had about 30 ?

A. Yes, that is the idea.

By Mr. CARNEGIE.—Q. These would not be the same students ?

A. Oh, by no means.

Q. They were an entirely new class ?

A. I would not say entirely new. Sometimes we have students come back but practically speaking a new class, certainly.

Q. You don't recollect then how many you had ? You think you had 30 in 1897 ?

A. I would not say positively.

Q. I see the receipts for students in 1897 were \$24 ?

A. Yes.

Q. That would probably indicate the number you had there then ?

A. Not necessarily. Probably pretty near, but not necessarily. For this reason, among others, that we don't charge home dairy students any fee. They are usually ladies and we admit them free.

Q. How many students had you for 1898 ?

A. Well, you see our season runs in two years. I will be obliged to ask you whether you mean 1897-98 or 1898-99.

Q. Of course I refer naturally to 1897-98.

A. Then I must answer you the same as I did before. I cannot tell you positively how many, but I say we had about 30—that was about our average.

Q. How many are at the institution now?

A. The session just closed there was only one there when I left.

Q. How many during the session?

A. As I remembered it about 12 or 13.

Q. How many will there be in attendance in all probability during the session of 1898-99?

A. That is the number I have just given you.

By Hon. Mr. DAVIS.—Q. The attendance is falling off a little?

A. Yes, it is.

By Mr. CARNEGIE.—Q. During 1898 I see you manufactured some 6,756 pounds of cheese which sold for \$491. Did that occupy the cheesemaker all the time in performing this work?

A. The instructor in cheese-making is not supposed to make cheese. His business is to instruct somebody else in making cheese. That is what his time is taken up with.

Q. Who does the actual work?

A. The students under his direction and with his help.

Q. Are lectures and classes in instruction going on at the same time?

A. Yes, sir. The same day. Each day lectures in the morning and instruction all day.

Q. In your position as superintendent would you be occupied in giving lectures or what would your work be generally?

A. My work generally is to superintend all the work and the lecturing generally falls to me.

Q. You give lectures, then, in both cheese-making and butter-making, do you?

A. Yes, sir.

Q. It seems to me that the amount of cheese you manufacture is very small to keep one man engaged in giving instructions to students. For example, take one man in an ordinary factory without any assistance whatever, what amount of milk would he handle and make into cheese?

A. Oh, he would make up, I presume, probably 6,000 pounds of milk a day, but I suggest that that was not our business; it is not to make cheese.

Q. I desire that in connection with any questions, you should give the fullest information, because what I want to get at is the work that the school is actually doing. It seems to me, taking this 6,000 pounds which one man would handle in a day, to be a very small quantity to teach students the actual practical work.

A. Well, allow me to explain sir. I can teach cheese-making or butter-making as well with 1,000 pounds of milk practically as I can with 100,000. It is the principle underlying practical work that I wish to instil. The more milk I make up it is not necessarily the better instruction I give. Within reasonable limits it is so, but beyond

a certain limit, my time and the time of my students would be taken up too much in work and not enough in education. That is why. I think perhaps that will explain it. We purposely do not take in large quantities of milk for that work. I think it is borne out on the face of it.

Q. I see the amount realized on that cheese was \$666.15—at least that is what you paid for the milk. You realized \$523.43. There is a difference of about \$142. How do you account for that fact?

A. In this way : We were obliged to buy our milk for that work, that is to buy it out and out ; otherwise we could not have got it, and in consequence we had to pay above the market price or we could not get it.

Q. What did you pay a hundred for that milk?

A. I cannot answer that question.

Q. How did you buy it ?—how did you pay for the milk?

A. We paid for it as I recollect now—I am not very positive now in what I am giving you without my books—I think this was the basis : whatever we paid for our milk that we used for instruction in butter-making, we paid the same for that which we bought for cheese-making, but seemingly it netted us less than what our milk for butter-making netted us, which it would certainly do in the winter months in a general way.

Q. You don't seem to have sold any butter here at all ? For instance, at the bottom of the page there are charges to patrons for making butter, \$4,449. Is that the milk that you used for instruction that you speak of ?

A. Yes.

Q. How much did you receive a pound for making this butter for the patrons ?

A. 3 and $3\frac{1}{4}$ cents.

Q. Did the instructor in butter-making have any assistance apart from that which he received from the students ?

A. And what he received from the man at the weigh scales who assisted him also. Allow me to explain. We did not need all the milk that we received in the butter-making department for instruction in butter-making. It was a matter of accommodation that it should be received ; and in consequence—

Q. It seems to me that relatively the buttermaker performs the bulk of the work done at the institution—at least much the heavier task falls on him, judging of course from the figures given in the public accounts. Of course that is all I have to judge from.

A. Well, I do not think the bulk of the work necessarily falls on him any more than any other person about the place.

Q. I will try to explain further. You see the school realized for simply making butter some \$4,449 ?

A. Yes, sir.

Q. Whereas for making cheese there was only received the sum of \$491 ?

A. Yes, sir.

Q. Therefore it appears to me there was considerably more work entailed in making butter than there was in making cheese. Could not, for example, the instructor in cheese-making perform the work done there by Mr. Crealy, who I think you said was the assistant cheesemaker ?

A. Yes, I understand your position now and I think I can explain it. In the first place we make cheese three months and butter twelve. I think that will explain that part. The second part might be explained in this way: the cheesemaker could not undertake any other work in connection with our business for the simple reason that he is closely at his work from early morning until late at night. He could not leave his department to attend to any other work, even although he be not, in a sense, very hard worked. Still it could not be left.

Q. Of course, I cannot speak as a practical cheesemaker, but I can as a practical butter-maker, and I confess that to me the difficulties do not seem insurmountable. It does seem to me that the cheesemaker could perform both these tasks.

A. I don't know how I could further explain it to you. I am convinced my position is tenable.

Q. You feel it is necessary to have these two men employed?

A. I did, or they would not have been there.

Q. What is the greatest number of students that the instructor in cheese-making would have under his control at any one time? Would they be in the form of classes, or would the whole of the students in the institution attend?

A. They would come and go in classes. Some would be coming and some would be going and so a class would vary. Probably there would not be more than eight or ten.

Q. How do you account for the fact that there has not been a larger attendance at the school?

A. Well, I really cannot answer that question.

Q. There is no way you can account for it? Would the proximity of the Agricultural College at Guelph have any deteriorating effect?

A. I presume probably it would.

Q. It is rather close to the Agricultural College at Guelph, is it?

A. I presume it would be affected in that way.

Q. Is there any other reason that you think might affect the attendance?

A. Well, really, I don't know what might or might not affect the attendance at the place. I presume a number of things might affect it. What has affected it in the essence I am not prepared to say.

Q. Is that section of the country a dairying section where they would be likely to get students?

A. Not as much as some

Q. Is not that section of the country more devoted to stock-raising for beef purposes and that sort of thing? Do they not go more into beef? Is it very much of a dairying section?

A. Well, I think as far as I can see of it—of course I have not been all over the country—it is both.

Q. Then is it because the people there do not desire instruction along these lines?

A. It would seem that they do not, perhaps.

Q. Well, in view of the results attained, do you think it would be advisable to continue the institution in that section of the country? It has now been in operation some

four years, and in that time the people should have learned its value because, speaking for myself, I believe these institutions are a good thing. Do you think there is much use in continuing it? Is there any hope of a larger attendance at the institution?

A. Well, really sir, I am not sure that I can answer that question what the possibilities are.

Q. Considering the outlook, from the experience you have, is there any prospect that there will be a larger attendance?

A. I don't know, I am sure, what the possibilities are.

Q. Don't you think the result to the Province would be better if the institution were moved to some other section where there was more dairying carried on?

A. Well that's a problematical question with me, sir, I could not answer that. I could not say that it would not or that it would.

Q. Well, is there any demand for the school in that section?

A. There is a demand; yes.

Q. As shown by the attendance?

A. Well, of course, the attendance, perhaps the results may not hardly be judged from what will appear from that standpoint. I am not sure that there is any better place for it.

By Mr. MATHESON.—Q. Well, the result then is that there appears to be no demand for the school in the vicinity? Is there? Is the school required?

A. Well, sir, I don't think I am in a position to answer that question.

Q. How many months is the school running?

A. The school proper—the instruction runs about five months or a little over that.

Q. And how does it run otherwise?

A. It runs in an ordinary factory way.

Q. How long?

A. For the remainder of the year.

Q. For the remainder of the year?

A. Yes.

Q. Did it for the first year run as an ordinary factory?

A. No, sir.

Q. Well during the past year?

A. Yes, at the same time we were open to students the year round.

Q. But, as you said, you have had an average in the three years of thirty students for courses running from two to eight weeks. Is that correct?

A. That is correct.

Q. And this last season of 1898-99 you have had twelve or thirteen?

A. Yes, sir.

Q. Would you look at page 283 of the Public Accounts. How much is put down there as paid for salary and wages in the Public Accounts for 1898? \$3,125, is it not?

A. Yes, sir.

Q. And how much did you pay for wood, the next item?

A. It appears for wood and ice \$928.

Q. How much of that was for wood? \$714?

A. Something of that kind, seemingly, or nearly \$700. There is an item of cold storage.

Q. \$690 was for wood?

A. Presumably something in that neighborhood.

Q. What was that wood used for?

A. Supplying the boiler for the heating room and the apparatus.

Q. What did you pay for it the year previous. Did you pay any more?

A. I cannot tell you, sir.

Q. Have you got it in hand?

A. I cannot tell you what we have on hand accurately. I presume, perhaps in the neighborhood of 20 cords. I cannot tell you accurately. I did not take any notice of it.

Q. It might be more?

Q. Might there be a hundred?

A. No, sir.

A. It might be a little more.

Q. What price did you pay for wood this last year?

A. That is for 1898, I presume, you refer to?

Q. During the year 1898?

A. I paid from \$1.50 to \$3.50 as I recall it.

Q. \$1.50 for soft wood?

A. Yes, sir.

Q. Would there be as much wood required as was bought last year?

A. Yes, sir. But not for the one year. Simply allow me to explain that that wood was not bought for one year only.

Q. It is not bought for one year?

A. No, sir.

Q. What is it bought for?

A. I was out of wood in the fall of 1897. I had to buy for immediate requirements, and I had to buy for the following year and until such time as I might reasonably expect to get wood the following winter, which, from a good common sense business standpoint, I would say would not be before the middle of January anyway. I bought with that understanding. Perhaps that will explain that.

Q. All your purchases were in January and February last year, were they not ?

A. No, sir, they were paid for then largely and from that time forth.

Q. Then the general result is that the school has been running during a portion of the winter months, not exceeding five months. Would there be any time during that five months that you had no students ?

A. Not generally.

Q. How many would there be on an average at a time?

A. Oh, I could not answer that question. They would run from 5 or 10 up to 15.

Q. And altogether about 30 were received?

A. Yes.

Q. And during this past year, during 1898 99 how many were there at a time?

A. I don't think we ever had more than 5 at any one time.

Q. And what would be the longest time that any of those would stay.

A. I think about three months.

Q. And what would the average be ?

A. I could not answer that.

Q. Would some of them be there three weeks ?

A. Yes.

Q. How many ?

A. I don't know.

Q. Would three-quarters of them be under a month ?

A. As I recall it, no ; but I cannot answer the question without my book.

Q. But the session that is just over, surely you would remember how long they were there ? How many of them were there more than a month during the past session, of the twelve or thirteen. Were any, except one ?

A. Oh, yes.

Q. According to your recollection, were two of those twelve or thirteen students there more than one month ?

A. As I recall it there were four.

Q. You ran that school as a butter factory for six or seven months in the year, did you not, according to your evidence ?

A. Yes, sir.

Q. Look at the accounts at page 285.

A. Yes, sir.

Q. The total expenditure was how much ? \$7,840, was it not in round numbers ?

A. I presume that is it as far as I understand these accounts.

Q. And the receipts were \$4,948 ?

A. Yes, sir.

Q. And of these receipts \$4,449 were received from the patrons for making butter for them ?

A. Yes, sir.

Q. That is where the school was used as an ordinary butter factory ?

A. Well, I could not say that it was used as an ordinary butter factory.

Q. And you sold cheese made to the amount of \$491.75 ?

A. Yes, sir.

Q. And deducting the receipts from the expenditure, the net cost of the school was \$2,892 ?

A. Yes, sir, as I understand these accounts.

Q. Nearly three thousand dollars ? Now, considering that during this past session there were thirteen or fourteen students, four of whom were there less than a month, do you think it is proper or advisable or would you recommend the Government to continue the school at an average cost of \$200 per student or over ?

A. Well, honourable sir, I don't know that that is a question that I have any right to offer an opinion on.

By Mr. AULD.—Q. I see some big items in these accounts. It appears that you have been building something or replacing machinery. There is an item R. Whitelaw, repairs to apparatus, and there is another item replacing machinery, \$59, on page 284. There is another item of \$400. That is for some new plant, is it not ?

A. Yes, sir.

Q. Is there the same staff now as there was last winter ?

A. No, sir.

Q. Is Miss Shuttleworth your assistant ?

A. She is my assistant. She is an instructor in home dairy work. Of course this our first season in that Department as we have it now, and we have not had much chance for development.

Q. Don't you think it gives a great deal more confidence to the farmers' daughters to attend with Miss Shuttleworth there ?

A. Well, it has done so already.

Q. Do you think this institution is properly advertised ?

A. I certainly think it would be to its advantage if it were advertised, perhaps.

Q. You made the statement here that you did not think it was a dairying section. You will tell me where there is a better dairying section in the Province of Ontario to develop ?

A. Well, there are better dairying sections but they have been longer in their development.

Q. Certainly, that's it. Take for instance the townships of Adelaide and Caradoc, and when you go into the County of Lambton do you not think there is material there to develop the dairy interest ?

A. It is developing now very rapidly.

Q. Well, then, do you not think the school is situated in its proper place ?

A. I don't know a better place.

Q. The farmers would not send their daughters because there was no lady teacher.
Do you not think that was the case ?

A. That is my opinion.

Q. And you find better results since Miss Shuttleworth is there ?

A. We had more students there in that department than we had last year, but as I said, the possibility is not developed yet.

Q. You are down in the evidence as saying that it is not a dairy section. I do not agree with you.

A. I did not say it was not a dairy section.

Q. You said it went more to beef.

A. Excuse me. I did not say that, sir.

By Mr. McNISH.—Q. Dairying has not been made a specialty in that district ?

A. Not as it is in other districts.

Q. Mixed farming is carried on ?

A. Yes, sir.

Q. And consequently the farmers in the neighborhood have not taken the same interest in the dairy schools that they have in the other schools ?

A. Yes, sir, that is quite true.

Q. But the fact that you have now added home buttermaking to the other teaching at the institution leads you to suppose that the institution will be more patronized in the future than it has during the past year by the addition of Miss Shuttleworth to the staff of teachers ?

A. That would be my opinion.

By Mr. CARNEGIE.—Q. You have now employed a lady instructor, have you ?

A. Yes, sir.

Q. When was she employed ?

A. At the beginning of the present session.

Q. How many ladies have you now in attendance ?

A. We have not any.

Q. I suppose it was pretty well known the instructress was about to be employed, was it ?

A. It was as well known as our funds would permit us to make it known, I presume,

Q. I suppose when this institution was started it was pretty well equipped with dairy appliances, was it ?

A. For its immediate work at that time, fairly well equipped.

Q. I find that last year dairy appliances and machinery and cheese boxes and things of that nature which you bought cost \$1,982. Why should the expenditure have been so large last year?

A. Well, all the cheese boxes and butter boxes are bought to sell again.

Q. But they are only a very small proportion of the amount. There was other expenditure for machinery. How do you justify such an expenditure as that last year?

A. Well, I presume that you being a buttermaker will understand that the business is one of development. We are new as buttermakers in this Canada of ours. We are not old buttermakers. In consequence our machinery is developing with very great strides and in order to keep reasonable pace with that this expenditure has been made.

Q. Along what lines was it necessary to make this expenditure—were there new departments?

A. New separators, chiefly, and pasteurizing apparatus.

Q. New separators; what separators?

A. Well, we put in, for instance, a new Reid separator. Then we put in a big pasteurizing outfit and that is the main portion of that expenditure.

Q. In 1897 your expenditure over income would amount to nearly \$4,836. Of that amount \$791 was applied for capital purposes, which reduces the expenditure on the school proper to \$4,045. If there were 28 students in attendance that would be over \$140 as the cost of each student to the Province for that year. Do you think the result justifies this?

A. I presume that is correct as to the number of students.

By Hon. Mr. HARCOURT.—Q. Is it from January to December that that number of students is enrolled?

A. No. The season begins at the end of the year and continues until April the following year.

Q. What is the number you had enrolled from the beginning of 1897 to the last of the year?

A. I cannot answer as to that.

Q. More than 28?

A. I do not calculate it on that basis.

Q. Take the Public Accounts for 1897. You were in this same position in 1897.

Q. How much was paid for salaries in the institution in that year—that is for teaching?

A. If I am correct in my figures, \$2,856.86.

Q. That is the total amount paid for teaching proper, for salaries? For what purpose was the rest of the expenditure made in 1897? For apparatus and appliances?

A. Yes, sir.

Q. For supplies and repairs to machinery?

A. Yes, sir.

Q. You see \$924.71 carried out on page 288 ?

A. Yes, sir.

Q. Then is it the case that for ice, for wood, for cheese boxes, for butter boxes and for packing cases, \$924.71 were spent ?

A. Yes, sir.

Q. Is it the case that for promiscuous dairy supplies and appliances \$378.15 were spent ?

A. Yes, sir.

Q. Is it the fact that for paints, oils, boiler compounds, \$88.48 were spent ?

A. Yes, sir.

Q. Do you not find it to be the fact that \$530 were spent for printing and statinery, express charges, cartage and similar small charges ?

A. Yes, sir.

Q. It is a fact also, that \$159.71 were paid for the travelling expenses of Prof. Mills and other directors and Mr. Sleightholm ?

A. Yes, sir.

Q. In what way were these travelling expenses incurred ?

A. Well, as far as Dr. Mills is concerned, in looking after the direction of the school

Q. He is a director ?

A. He is a director of the school.

Q. What were your bills for ?

A. Well, for instance, getting supplies, frequently to confer with Dr. Mills as to the work, and all such like things.

Q. Getting supplies of what ?

A. Any kind of supplies, more particularly apparatus, which it is not advisable to buy without seeing.

Q. Then, under the head of dairy supplies, explain some of the items, G. N. Haldane, \$77 ?

A. Chiefly for butter paper, wrapping paper, for boxes and prints.

Q. I find that \$181.20 were paid to Firstbrook Bros. for butter boxes ?

A. Yes, sir.

Q. All these items that you have named, and some other items, what do they total up to ?

A. \$9,011.68.

Q. That item includes salaries ?

A. Yes, sir. It includes everything, I presume.

Q. What was the revenue in that year, do you find ?

A. \$4,966.30.

Q. And the total balance including salaries is ?

A. \$4,045.38.

Q. As to revenue, what do you find the main items to be? For the sale of cheese you obtained \$1,286.51?

A. Yes, sir.

Q. What do you mean by sundry cash sales? Is that butter.

A. Yes, sir; I presume all such little items.

Q. Well, add those two. In that year out of butter you realized \$2,399.

A. Yes, \$2,399.

Q. How many students had you in 1897?

A. In the immediate neighborhood of thirty.

Q. Revenue deducted, I find that the cost per student for 1897 to be \$134.

A. Yes, sir.

Q. Have you visited other dairy schools?

A. Yes, sir.

Q. Do you consider your school has done useful work?

A. I believe it has.

Q. The matter of the attendance of students of itself does not settle that the school has not done useful work?

A. I think not.

Q. Compared with the other schools, is yours conducted on similar lines?

A. Quite similar.

Q. Up-to-date methods?

A. I believe so.

Q. Up-to-date teaching?

A. Yes, sir.

Q. And you say you visited other schools? Do you mean in this Province only, or have you visited some in the States?

A. Yes, I have visited one in the States; two in our own Province, Kingston and Guelph.

By Mr. CARNEGIE.—Q. Where was the other?

A. At Madison, State of Wisconsin.

By Hon. Mr. HARCOURT.—Q. As a matter of fact, do you know that these schools are increasing in number in the United States?

A. Dairy schools?

Q. Yes. Are they increasing in numbers in the United States?

A. I believe they are.

Q. They are considered to be in an agricultural way a great educational need in the United States?

A. Yes, they are evidently.

Q. Has your institution been visited by members of the House?

A. Yes, some of them were there.

Q. When did Miss Shuttleworth go there?

A. The beginning of this season.

Q. And you had not one before?

A. No.

By the CHAIRMAN.—Q. A good deal has been said about the small quantity of butter produced there. I presume that is not the object?

A. No, that is not the object, whatever, with my part of this work; it is not its object.

Q. The object is to teach how to make butter?

A. Yes, sir. I presume, so far as quantity is concerned, there is no other dairy school in the upper part of the continent that makes so much.

By Hon. Mr. HARCOURT.—Q. Is the main object and aim of the institution educational?

The committee then adjourned.

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